

SPAIN SOUGHT PEACE TOO LATE.

To Keep Porto Rico Out of Negotiations. Sagasta Protests In Vain.

UNITED STATES HAS NOT BROKEN FAITH.

American Flag Was Raised Over Porto Rico Before Spain Spoke of Peace. Answer Will Be Given Spain In a Short Time. Miles and Dewey Consulted.

NO BREACH OF FAITH.

United States Did Not Force Porto Rico Campaign After Overtures.

Washington, July 28.—It can be stated on the authority of the state department and the foreign embassies here that there were no overtures on behalf of Spain for peace or a cessation of hostilities until the French ambassador presented his note to the President at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and it must be accepted as the word of the government of the United States. Therefore all the talk about bad faith on the part of the United States in pressing the Porto Rico campaign the last three days is absolutely without foundation. Our government has done nothing that can subject it to criticism on that score.

The alleged charges of bad faith against the American government attributed to Sagasta are discredited as inventions, designed to prejudice a successful progress of the present peace movement.

Military authorities regard Sagasta's alleged statement that peace overtures should operate to stay the course of operations as little short of amazing and contrary to United States and international law. Operation can stop only when peace or armistice in writing is actually concluded.

Until then the mere preliminary overture toward suspension of hostilities is not regarded as any warrant for stopping the war. Military authorities as well as the specific regulations of the United States hold that there is no suspension of hostilities prior to an agreement to suspend military operations. Even then the agreement is binding on military commanders only from the time they receive actual notice of it.

AMERICAN GIBRALTAR.

British Government Strengthening Fortifications in Vancouver.

Victoria, B. C., July 28.—The British war department is quietly but vigorously pushing arrangements for increasing the fortifications at Esquimaux, intending to make at the southern corner of Vancouver island a supply depot as impregnable as at Gibraltar.

Taxing the Travelers.

Washington, July 28.—The treasury statement shows that under the present tariff law the amount of duty collected during the last fiscal year on the personal effects of steamship passengers arriving in this country was about 400 per cent. in excess of the amount received during the previous fiscal year.

Powder Mill Gone, Cause Unknown.

Elmira, N. Y., July 28.—An explosion in the powder mill of E. T. Johnson, at Troy, Pa., today, wrecked the building and killed Mr. Johnson. The cause is unknown.

Burglars Stole the Bounties.

Stoughton, Mass., July 28.—Burglars entered the millinery store of Margaret Helen last night and stole the entire stock. This is the second time in six months. There is absolutely no clue.

Cromartyshire Free From Blame.

Halifax, N. S., July 28.—The decision of the court of inquiry given today exonerates Capt. Henderson and the officers of the ship Cromartyshire from all blame in the La Borgogne disaster.

Prominent Rhode Island Man Dead.

Providence, R. I., July 28.—Joseph Bankman, former president of the United States Rubber company, died this morning after a long illness. He was one of the best known men in the state.

STARTS FOR PORTO RICO.

One Regiment Called Back and Another Sent.

Chickamauga, July 28.—The One Hundred and Sixtieth Indiana infantry broke camp early this morning and marched to Rossville, boarding trains for Newport News. This regiment goes to Porto Rico in place of the Fifth Illinois, ordered back when half packed aboard the train last night. The First South Carolina will leave tomorrow for Jacksonville to join Lee's corps.

Bismarck Improving.

Hamburg, July 28.—Bismarck's condition is somewhat improved this afternoon, and is now fairly good.

Sweet to Die For One's Country.

Havana, July 28.—The bishop of Havana, Mgr. Santander, has published a pastoral in which he says that there are times when war is justifiable, and reminds his people how Saint Louis, St. Maurice and Saint Fernando became perfect in military exercises. The pastoral proceeds: "The war which Spain is sustaining against the United States is a just war. Spain is doing nothing but defending her rights over her possessions. When the United States provoked a war to take away Spanish property, what should a brave, proud and righteous people do? Should they give away their rights to a stronger or more populous claimant? Conscience arises against such injustice, and the appeal is to the justice of God."

"It is sweet to die for one's country and in behalf of God's justice. Life without honor is a thousand times worse than death. It is impossible to ask the heroic Spanish army to lay down its arms without a struggle. The Catholic religion does not enjoin upon its votaries such humility as that. Other-wise nations would be but the playthings of those who do not believe in God. The right to repel force by force is not merely a permissible right; it is an obligatory right. In this case it is all the more so because the United States declared the war. In the days of Pelayo and the times of Isabella, Spaniards cared nothing about the number of their enemies. It was a shame to surrender, and they did not give up their rights. They fought to the death. Neither the army nor the people is the authority to settle the issues involved. When the word goes forth for resistance to invasion, all must obey without murmuring or without finding fault."

The pastoral calls upon the people to give alms to the poor, and to help them in other ways, so that their lives may not be in danger from falling subsistence.

Spain Addressed Cambon.

Paris, July 28.—French officials assert that the first peace proposal was sent direct from Madrid to Ambassador Cambon in his capacity as representative of Spanish interests in the United States. Mr. Cambon thereupon cabled to the government here, requesting instructions for his guidance in the matter, and received authority to open negotiations.

on the Samoset. They will camp there. The Times says the cabinet, 10 days ago, concluded to inquire how to terminate the war, which henceforth, in the opinion of the ministers, will be purposeless. They realized that the United States was sensitive of its dignity and that foreign intervention would only irritate, and requested Mr. Delcasse, through Mr. Cambon, to ascertain if the United States would consent to France tendering her good offices. On Cambon responding in the affirmative, Spain's note was immediately entrusted to him.

Four Were Wounded.

Washington, July 28.—Assistant Secretary McKeljohn has just received news of the result of the last expedition to supply Gomez's forces in the western end of the island with food and munitions of war. This expedition was carried on the Wanderer. Havana reports describe the landing as a failure and say that four of the landing party, including the lieutenant, were killed. This is the usual exaggeration. One-third of the supplies carried by the Wanderer had been landed and sent into the territory beyond Spanish reach when an overwhelming force of troops appeared and compelled the abandonment of the attempt to land the remainder. None of the American party was killed, but four men were wounded. Their injuries were slight and they will be put ashore in Key West, to which port the Wanderer returned. The vessel made another start for western Cuba, this time with a naval convoy to prevent interruption with her.

WILL ANSWER FRIDAY.

Course as to Peace Under Consideration. Matter of Suspending Hostilities in the Interim.

Washington, July 28.—The administration is carefully deliberating over the formal reply to be made to the peace message presented through the French ambassador. Secretary of State Day and Postmaster General Smith went over the situation with the president yesterday and reviewed the course to be taken. Weight is given to the counsels of the postmaster general owing to his diplomatic experiences and study of international questions.

A final conclusion will not be reached until the cabinet has an opportunity to take up Spain's note and our projected answer. There will be no extra session of the cabinet and the matter will not be placed before the president's advisers until tomorrow, when a reply will be definitely settled. The Spanish government will have the answer of this administration in its possession by Friday night or Saturday morning.

The Spanish proposition is clothed with all the solemnity and formality of a government act. The official instructions to Mr. Cambon bear the official signature of Duke Almodovar, the Spanish minister of foreign affairs, and, besides expressing the desire of the cabinet and government that the negotiations be opened, they are given the added solemnity of approval and earnest personal request by the queen regent. The instructions bear the date of Madrid, July 25. These formalities dismiss all question in the minds of officials here as to the wishes of the government of Spain. Aside from this, Cambon is too much of a veteran in diplomatic affairs to have embarked on private overtures toward peace.

Naturally the first point of inquiry was the exact shape taken by the Spanish presentation. Curiosity on this point remained ungratified and must probably so continue for some days to come, the president having decided that nothing more definite than the statement issued from the White House shall be given to the public at this time. The motive is a prudent one, and the president has even gone so far as to suggest to the Madrid authorities the expediency of keeping the text of the Spanish overture from publication for the present.

Character of the Demand.

The next point of interest was the character and extent of the demand likely to be made by the United States as the condition of peace. It is felt that the statement of terms both from Spain and from the United States may be some days off, as there doubtless will be considerable fencing at the outset before the actual point of stating terms is reached. A good deal of this for instance may result from the attempt to define the methods of approach to the object sought, whether through a commission or through the direct exchange of notes. There will be much discussion in all likelihood also regarding an armistice, for it is the distinct purpose of the Spanish authorities to secure a suspension of hostilities pending the negotiations for peace. It may be that the application will be granted, but if so it will be only under the most effective safeguards to prevent loss of any advantage to the United States and upon binding pledges that certain well defined objects are to be conceded to us.

The president discussed this complex subject all day with various members of the cabinet as they called in the course of ordinary business. Secretary Day and Postmaster General Smith spent some time at the White House. It is virtually admitted by leading members of the administration that upon only one point in the peace negotiations is there likely to be serious friction, and that relates to the future of the Philippines. As to Cuba and Porto Rico, all believe that there is a reasonable certainty of encountering little opposition to our demands. The Spanish government must insist upon the proposition thrown out by the vatican, namely, that the United States shall annex Cuba, the ostensible purpose being to secure further protection for the Spanish element left in the island; but while this would be a vexatious point, it would yield to adjustment. As to the Philippines, there is a full expectation of greater difficulties to be surmounted. There is reason to believe that these difficulties will be rather internal than international in their character, at least from the outset. The president is firmly of the opinion that the United States has no use for the islands as a permanent possession. The gravest problems of government would result were the attempt to be made to annex them owing to the heterogeneous and ill-favored character of the large population of the

islands, whose effort to unite with other powers in a joint administration might be fairly expected to result as unsatisfactorily as the tripartite arrangement between the United States, Great Britain and Germany for the government of the Samoan group. However, there are evidences that a large element in the United States is of the opinion that the islands should be acquired by the United States, and it is hoped by the president that before it comes to the formulation officially of the United States' demand public sentiment in this country, through newspaper discussion and otherwise, will have so far crystallized as to enable the government to perceive the popular demand clearly.

Early Agreement Possible.

It may be stated that it is confidently expected that when the governments arrive at the point of actually fixing terms they will be found much closer together than is generally supposed. It is felt by officials that with the diplomatic formalities out of the way the actual peace terms would require little time for arrangement; and it is even suggested that the anomalous condition might be presented of Spain's conceding as much or more than the United States felt justified in demanding. There is little reason to doubt that Spain has made up her mind to give up Cuba. It is almost equally certain that she recognizes that she must consent also to the abandonment of Porto Rico. With those two vital points passed, there is every disposition here not to press with undue severity. About the only reason which would impel this government to insist upon an indemnity would be a further resistance by Spain. Speaking broadly, the statement is made that a settlement in which Spain conceded two vital points, namely, Cuba and Porto Rico, and at the same time gained freedom from a war indemnity and a retention of her control of the Philippines, would appear to be a just balance of equities.

Defers to Miles' Judgment.

Nothing was heard from the Miles expedition, but Captain Higginson, the senior officer of the naval convoy, forwarded a brief cablegram that gave keen delight because of the unstinted praise it accorded to a popular and dashing young officer, "Dick" Wainwright, the commander of the Gloucester. Wainwright, having been commended by Higginson for his actions at Guantico, enjoys the solitary distinction of being the only officer attached to Sampson's fleet who has been twice officially commended since the war began.

The war department has reconsecrated itself to the summary change in its plans made by General Miles when he landed at Guantico instead of on the northeast coast of Porto Rico. It is surmised that he was led to make this change by reason of the detention of his lighters, and foresaw a week's delay in effecting a landing unless he went in where he did and ran his troops and artillery directly ashore. He thus has avoided exposing his troops to the hardships suffered by Shafter's men as they lay for so many days off Santiago. It is also suggested that the general has secured an important advantage in getting foot upon Porto Rican soil before the first overtures had been received from Spain looking towards peace.

The departure of General Brooke and General Hains from Hampton roads to reinforce Miles in Porto Rico is a very substantial evidence of the purpose of the government not to abate the prosecution of military operations at this stage of the negotiations. The two generals are embarked on rapid liners and should reach General Miles by Monday, putting him in possession of a sufficient force to begin the movement upon San Juan at once.

Cabled to Dewey.

The president has sent a dispatch to Admiral Dewey asking him to give his views as to the value of the Philippine islands to the United States, what portion if any, should be retained by us for naval and strategic purposes, the prospects of the insurgents being able to establish and maintain a stable government, and his general views on the situation. It is understood the president will be guided largely by Dewey's views. He has the greatest confidence in the admiral's sound judgment, and he has shown himself to be not only a great naval commander but a man of such conspicuous tact and diplomatic ability that the president feels he is a safe counselor, and the country will accept his advice without question and follow his counsel.

Wednesday's Ball Games.

The Philadelphia and Washington played two games yesterday, the Phillies winning both by timely hitting. The second game was called in the seventh inning on account of darkness. The Baltimore and Cleveland will play in Philadelphia a series of four games which were scheduled to be played in Cleveland.

A Few Days

Makes a great difference in the purchasing power of a dollar sometimes, and if you haven't visited Cutting Corner within ten days you are little fitted to understand the inventory sale and prices that are good until August 1st.

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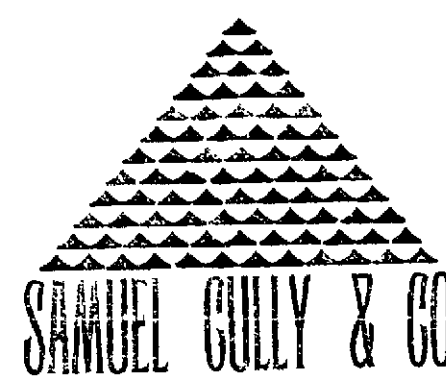
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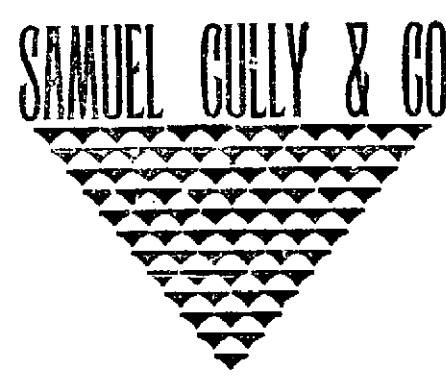
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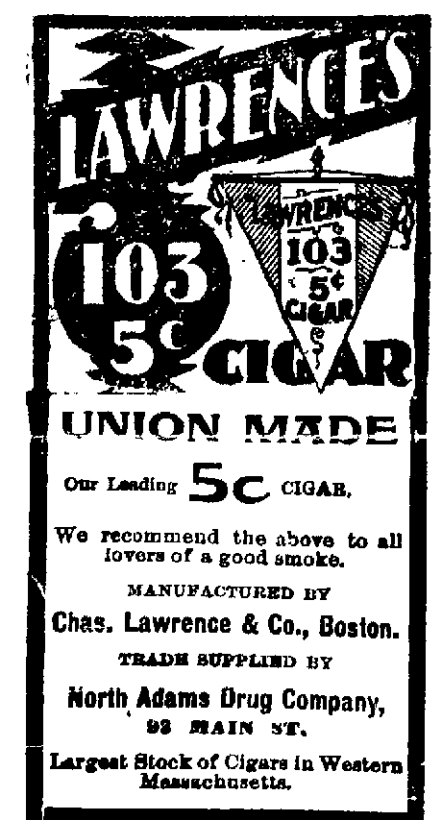
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J. H. EMMETT, Commissioner of Public Works.



Grading the Depot Grounds—May Have a Baptist Church—Grange Meeting Friday Night.

MAY HAVE A BAPTIST CHURCH.

It is said that the Baptist people in the village will probably organize a church before long. Services have been held in Grand Army hall since April and the attendance and interest have been very encouraging. Since these services were started it has been learned that there are more Baptists here than was supposed. Many of whom in the absence of a church of their own denomination have been attending and helping to support the other churches. The preaching in Grand Army hall is by Rev. Olney Rose, pastor of the Baptist church at Sweet's Corners, who has succeeded in arousing much interest. A Sunday school has been organized which now has 50 members and it is thought that the growth of the school and congregation continues a church organization will be the natural and necessary outcome.

GRADING THE DEPOT GROUNDS.

The Fitchburg railroad has begun the work of filling east and south of the new baggage room. Cinders from the roundhouse are used and a large quantity will be required. The cinders are delivered where wanted by the cars, spur track being run to the ground and moved as often as necessary. After the ground is graded the surface will be covered with gravel and there will be a good driveway in the rear of the depot with plenty of room to turn around east of the baggage room.

GRANGE MEETING.

Green River grange is anticipating a pleasant time at its monthly meeting Friday evening. The program will include a discussion on the question, "What will be the probable effect of the present war on the agricultural interests of this country?" Papers will be read by Arthur Galusha and S. J. Kellogg and there will be other interesting features. Refreshments will be served and the meeting promises to be a very pleasant one in all respects.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jeffers, formerly of this town, have moved from Bath-on-the-Hudson to the cottage on the Smedley farm. Mr. Jeffers having sold his ice business in Bath.

The Baptist people will have a picnic next Wednesday at Hoosac Valley park, going on special trolley cars leaving this town at 10 a. m.

The Fitchburg railroad will run an excursion from Troy to Lake Pleasant Sunday, August 7. The train will leave Williamstown at 11:23 a. m., and leave the lake at 6 p. m. The fare for the round trip will be \$1. The lake is a very interesting place to visit when the Spiritualists are in session, as they will be at that time, and it is probable that quite a number of people may go from this town.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Carter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rushnet Danforth Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock and the body of Miss E. T. Parker, who died there Monday morning, was taken today to New Haven by Undertaker G. M. Hopkins and his son Albert. The funeral was held in that city and the burial was in Grove cemetery.

A red squirrel that appeared quite tame was noticed Wednesday afternoon running about the lawn and up and down the trees on Main street near the gymnasium. The squirrel reminded those who saw it of Rev. R. A. Robinson's suggestion at the recent annual meeting of the Village Improvement society, that it would be a good idea to introduce a few squirrels among the trees on Main street to make it seem even more like a park than it does now.

Most of the farmers have finished their haying and the oat harvest is now at hand.

People "over the mountain" start for market pretty early some days. A Petersburg, N. Y., man arrived in town Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock on his way to North Adams with a load of potatoes.

E. B. Noel has graded up the ground north of his store with dirt from Cole avenue where the road is being lowered.

W. H. Mason is so pressed with business that he is preparing to run his sawmill nights.

Mrs. Willard B. Clark has gone to Ashfield to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mather. This evening Mrs. Clark will sing at a big concert to be held in that town.

Constable Thomas Dumfrey has been given some fifty warrants for people who have not paid their taxes on their dogs.

Z. P. Beverly is preparing his fast horses for the races this fall and will take them to the fair grounds for a little work Friday morning. He has a gray trotter and a bay pacer which he believes will make a good showing before the close of the season.

Mrs. Allen of Berlin, N. Y., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Hull.

Miss Jessie Greenwood is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Hull.

Over 100 people from this town went on the excursion to Saratoga Wednesday. The weather was pleasant and all had a delightful time.

A. J. Daniels' new barn is approaching completion.

John A. Torrey, who manages the Gale farm on the river road, has cut about 25 tons of hay this year.

W. J. Allison brought a span of large gray horses from North Adams Wednesday and is using them on trial. If they prove satisfactory he will buy them. The horses are young and weigh about 2,200 pounds.

Fred White, boss spinner in the mill, has been confined to his home a few days by sickness.

Mrs. J. A. Eldridge and granddaughter returned Wednesday from a visit with friends in Hatfield. They also attended some of the Chautauqua meetings at Laurel park, Northampton.

C. W. Ford of North Adams was in town Wednesday afternoon on business.

David Louie, who is employed in the Boston Finishing works, will get through Saturday and will move to New York City.

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A party of ladies from this town with a few friends from North Adams took a trolley ride to Hoosac Valley park the other day and had a picnic.

The members of the Mark Hopkins club will probably attend the Congregational church Sunday evening in a body, as Rev. R. A. Robinson, who has been the president of the club, concludes the work of his pastorate here that day and will soon leave for Virginia, where he is to be the headmaster of Margaret Institute at Onancock, as stated some time ago in this paper.

Some are thinking of going on the excursion to Rutland, Vt., Saturday, the fare for the round trip being only \$1.25.

J. P. Wells and family of this village and John Blackinton and family of Blackinton picked up Saddle mountain Wednesday.

Mrs. William Clark and two nieces, Misses Carrie and Blanche Hooper of Washington, D. C., and Judge and Mrs. Joseph R. Churchin and daughter of Boston are at the Sand Springs.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

How to Buy Meat For the Family—Summer Work For Christmas.

Timely Hints.

The purchaser of "choice cuts" of meat for the family table has ordinarily little conception of the difficulty which the butcher and marketman have in disposing of the remainder of the carcass. In discussing this matter recently a large dealer stated that the greatest difficulty which retailers of meats have to contend with is the demand for steaks, chops and small joints to supply the numerous small families of the cities. The limited number of steaks or chops in a carcass of beef or mutton is soon exhausted, and the butcher is left with a large remainder of heavy and rough cuts, for which there is next to no demand from the ordinary consumer. Then there is the fat, or suet, which constitutes a large percentage of the weight of the quarters of any well-fatted animal, and which can be sold for only a very few cents per pound. The retailer has been compelled to pay an average price for all, which, under the circumstances cited, he cannot reimburse to himself and secure a living profit unless he charges a disproportionately high price for the cuts in demand. That, of course, the consumer objects to, and the only recourse the retailer has open to him is to plead the imposition of advance in rates by the wholesale or cattle slaughterers. If consumers would buy their meat in greater variety of cuts, they would exercise more economy and there would be less accusation of conspiracy to raise prices made against cattlemen and slaughterers.—Good Housekeeping.

Summer Work For Christmas.

Those who take time by the forelock lay in a store of Christmas presents in these days of summer leisure, putting each article carefully away when finished, not to be unwrapped again until snowy December. The tea cozy here with given would make a pretty gift. The groundwork is red sitchenee, and



A TEA COZY.

The flock of birds is cut out of white cotton flannel and put on with narrow black braid, one bird overlapping the other, the eyes being made with black jet beads. The conventional tree is of white satin, with the edges also covered by the black braid. The inside of the cozy is wadded and lined in the usual way and the edge is finished with white silk cord.—New York Tribune.

For a Change.

I have learned a new way to cook beefsteak, which may also be new to others. Heat a half teaspoonful of salt smoking beef in the frying pan, then put in the steak and turn often. Instead of drawing out the juice, as it always will to salt the meat while cooking, this method retains the juice and makes it very palatable. In making meat balls try the same plan, leaving out the salt when mixing, and heat the salt very hot in the frying pan.

A nice way of cooking chopped steak, especially for sick people, is to have the frying pan piping hot, then put in the chopped beef and stir quickly. Let it cook until it loses its red look, turn it out upon a hot plate and serve at once.—Housekeeper.

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PEOPLE OF THE DAY.

All the world has heard of the wonderful performance of the little Gloucester under the direction of her intrepid commander, Lieutenant Richard Wainwright, at Santiago. No event connected with the destruction of Cervera's fleet by Schley's squadron will live longer in the memory of our people. With some assistance from the Oregon and others of the squadron the Gloucester succeeded in completely disabling and partially demolishing the two Span-



LIEUTENANT COMMANDER WAINWRIGHT.

ish torpedo boat destroyers Pluton and Furor. Richard Wainwright was executive officer of the Maine at the time she was blown up in Havana harbor. He from the first suspected that Spanish treachery was at the bottom of that explosion, and he fought at Santiago as if determined to avenge the Maine.

Lieutenant Commander Wainwright is the son of Commodore Wainwright and has been in the navy since he was a small boy. He entered regularly as midshipman in 1864, was promoted to ensign in 1869, to master in 1870, to lieutenant in 1873 and to lieutenant commander Sept. 19, 1894.

President's Assistant Secretary.

The newly created post of assistant secretary to the president is occupied by George Bruce Cortelyou, who until July 1 was chief executive clerk of the White House, when he assumed the duties of his present position.

Secretary Cortelyou is a native of New York and is 56 years of age. He has for several years been connected with different departments of the gov-



GEORGE BRUCE CORTELYOU.

ernment service, and has made a reputation for astuteness and ability. He is considered well fitted for the duties that now fall to him. He has charge of the clerical force of the White House and is the president's confidential clerk to whom is dictated addresses, messages and other state papers. He also has charge of Mrs. McKinley's correspondence, the arrangements for her receptions and similar matters.

Churchill in Philadelphia.

When Lord Randolph Churchill was last in America, he visited Philadelphia, and while collecting statistics relating to the state prisons of Pennsylvania he was referred to the head of the prisons board, Mr. Cadwallader Biddle. Before calling, Lord Randolph fell into the hands of wags of the Union League club.

"You've got the name wrong," said one of these merry jesters. "It's not Cadwallader Biddle, but Biddallader Adlle."

"Don't mind what he says, Lord Randolph," exclaimed another. "The real name is Waddillader Caddle."

A third member took the ex-chancellor of the exchequer aside and imparted to him in confidence that he was being gulled.

"The actual name," confided his false friend, "is Diddollader Widdle."

And when Lord Randolph drove to the prisons board that afternoon he was so much upset that he stammered:

"Will you take this card to Mr. Bidd—cad—wid—wad—did—dollar—what's his name? I mean the chief, but I forget his extraordinary nomenclatorial combination."

Mrs. Kipling's Recessional.

When Rudyard Kipling had written "The Recessional," which two humbly spheres felt to be one of the very truest and soundest pieces of work done by any writing man in our day and generation, he was so depressed by its shortcomings of his private conception that he threw the rough copy in the waste paper basket. Thence Mrs. Kipling rescued it. But for Mrs. Kipling we should have had no "Recessional!"—Cape Times.

Tips For the Housekeeper.

To black a stove take a small stick. Put a swab on one end and apply the blacking with it. Then put your hand into a paper sack, take hold of the brush and polish the stove. You will not have your hands ruined with blacking. Use paper wherever you can in household work; then burn the papers. It saves work. The housekeeper should plan her work to save as many steps as possible. When going to the cellar for potatoes for dinner, everything else should be brought up that is needed at the same time.—Elizabeth Grifing.

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Confirmation of a Prince.

At the ceremony of the confirmation of the German crown prince and Prince Friedrich at Potsdam recently both the princes recited in an audible voice their personal confessions of faith, says a Berlin dispatch in the London Times. That of the crown prince was to the effect that he gave thanks to God for his kind and faithful parents and for his teachers. He intended steadfastly to adhere to the faith; he would ask God to show him no other way than that of the earnest discipleship of Jesus Christ; he would love his parents and his brothers and sisters and all of his fellow men with all his heart; he would make no difference between high and low, and would learn gentleness and mercy from the pattern of Christ. In his position he had not only more rights than others, but also more duties. In his walk and conversation he knew that he ought to be an example to others. The concluding words of the confession were, "I promise that I will always try to be the first in my resolve to serve my king and my country to the last drop of my blood, and ever to approve myself a living member of the Evangelical church, so help me God, amen!"

At the close of the service the emperor, empress and the Empress Frederick embraced and kissed the young prince, and the emperor conferred upon the general superintendent, Dr. Dryander, the cross of a commander of the Royal Order of the House of Hohenzollern.

The Sweet Uses of Fruit.

As the fresh fruits begin to come into the markets, it is well to point out their great dietetic virtues, especially in warm weather. They keep the system in good condition and the blood cool, and have a certain tonic effect upon the digestion. The careful and thoughtful housekeeper will, during the summer months, keep her table well supplied with green foods, such as salads and all the varieties of fresh fruits, that are delicious and wholesome while they are in perfect condition.—Exchange.

Taking Things Cool.

Country housekeepers who are without a cellar (and I know of more than one) can, with little trouble, contrive a place large enough to hold the butter and cream jars in hot weather. Have a small square cut out of the coolest corner of the kitchen floor. Nail cleats to the lower side of the pieces cut out to hold them together and a small leather loop on the top to raise it by. Dig a hole in the ground large enough to contain the vessels.

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Wilfred C. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Morgan of Cheshire Harbor, is now home for the first time in five years. He has just received an honorable discharge from the regular army and has been a cavalry man for five years at West Point, N. Y. He is a sturdy young man and said he enjoyed the life. His many friends were pleased to see him and a number of young men from here are much interested and ask him many questions concerning a regular's life. He has not decided whether he will re-enlist or not.

HAND BALL AT ZYLONITE.

An exciting hand ball match took place at the Howland hand ball court Wednesday afternoon. The match was between Patrick Ryan of North Adams and Mr. Flynn of Pittsfield for \$10 a side. They played two games and Ryan won both. The first was close and very exciting. The score was 21 to 16. The second game resulted 21 to 3, Ryan winning with ease. About 100 persons saw the game. The man will play another game Friday afternoon at 7 o'clock for \$25 a side. Ryan thus far this season has been invincible and he is believed to be as good a player as can be found in the country.

A STRAYED HORSE.

There is a horse at the Howland house stable which belongs to some unknown person. The animal was found at the Zylonite road near Howland Valley park about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday night. It had a harness on and the reins were dragging on the ground. The animal was eating grass on the roadside. There is a buggy also in the ditch on the right side of the electric railway near the half-way switch. One shaft is broken. It is thought the animal ran away and stopped where found. The animal is a light bay. The buggy is a Concord.

A FINE RIFLEMAN.

It has been learned that a former Adams boy is probably the best marksman in the army. He is Carl Anthony of South Dakota, formerly of this town. He is a volunteer and is now with Dewey's fleet at Manila. It is reported that in a recent shooting match of the soldiers young Anthony defeated all with the rifle. His score was 73 out of a possible 75. That is fine shooting and although Spaniards appear "small" to him he can drop them as fast as he sees them.

WATER BEING ANALYZED.

Supt. C. A. Waters received a notice from the state board of health asking for samples of this town's drinking water. Samples of the Bassett, Drybrook, Zylonite and Renfrew springs were sent and will be analyzed and a report will be made. There is no doubt but that all will be found all right, as one good thing the town has is pure drinking water. At present Bassett reservoir furnishes nearly all the drinking water.

Miss Nellie Lee of North Adams visited Miss Sarah Love of Pleasant street Wednesday.

Germania band gave another of their pleasing concerts on the band stand Wednesday evening. The selections were all loudly applauded. The new Wellbach lights placed by Supt. Waters gave good light.

William Walsh of Maple Grove left this morning to visit his brother, Private J. Walsh of Company M, who was wounded in the groin at El Caney, Santiago. He is now at St. Peter's hospital in New York and is getting along well.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Allen are visiting friends on a farm in Westfield. Miss Lizette Finnegan is visiting friends in North Bennington, Vt.

Private Thiel was reported as doing better this morning. The rain this week was needed and gardeners and farmers say it has done a great deal of good toward advancing crops.

Supt. J. C. Gray has returned from a trip to Westfield and Framingham and has seven applications for the five positions as teachers in the Hoosac street school. The assignments will be announced tomorrow.

Some miscreant poisoned a handsome fox terrier owned by J. J. Carney of Cherry street. If the person is found out he should be punished severely.

George Weston has purchased a handsome black draft horse. John McNamara, M. Myers and Vaughn Hildreth went on the excursion to Saratoga, N. Y., Wednesday.

Liveryman Wiethauser has sold his chestnut driving mare to a lawyer in Bennington.

Jones & Smith have sold a steamship ticket to Miss Annie Connor for Luzas, Austria. She will go on the Hamburg line.

Follett Bros. have purchased a new team of draft horses from J. Johnson of North Adams.

Motorman Paul Breese of Zylonite is enjoying a vacation.

Miss Mary Thompson visited friends here Wednesday.

Michael Flynn of Stockbridge visited friends in this town Wednesday.

The wrestling match between "Kid" Allen of North Carolina and J. J. Powers of North Adams will be held at Koeber's Turn hall Friday evening, August 3, instead of this week Friday evening.

George Power of Worcester visited friends here this week.

Prof. M. V. Meade will hold a dancing reception at Forest park pavilion this evening.

George Conroy has taken a position in Daniel Keegan's barber shop at Renfrew.

LOST.

A pin, with two gold hearts attached, interlaced and mounted with fine pearls. Finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving at 65 Center street.

TO RENT.

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Cretaceous Sea Serpents.
In the latter part of the mesozoic age there was a great inland ocean, spreading over a large part of the present continent. The lands then above water were covered with a flora peculiar to the times and were inhabited by some of the animals which later distinguished the Cenozoic age. In the seas were reptiles, fishes and turtles of gigantic proportions, armed for offense or defense. There were also ostrich-like birds, with enormous shells, three or four feet in diameter, the meat of which would have fed many people.

In time this great ocean, swarming with vigorous life, disappeared. Mountain ranges and plains gradually arose, casting forth the waters and leaving the monsters to die and bleach in tertiary suns. As the waters remaining divided into smaller tracts they gradually lost their salubrious stability. The stronger monsters gorged on the weaker tribes until they, too, stranded on rising sand bars or lost vitality and perished as the waters freshened. In imagination we can picture the strongest, befit of their food supply at last and floundering in the shallow pools until all remaining mired or starved. It would be interesting to know how much of the great cretaceous ocean forms a part of any of the vast oceans of today.—Popular Science.

Surgery on Snakes.

Snakes in captivity, it seems, sometimes find difficulty in getting rid of the skin which is shed every year, and an Australian diamond snake in the Bombay museum appeared likely to succumb. It was quite blind and refused all food.

A European sympathizer therefore pressed the native snake keeper into service to hold the snake, and himself with a pair of sharp pointed scissors performed the delicate and risky operation of clipping away the membrane which adhered to the eyes.

J. M. Phipson, editor of The Journal of the Bombay Natural History society, performed a far more dangerous operation a couple of years ago. His patient was a large lamadryad, or king cobra, the most vicious and poisonous of all Indian snakes, and a most powerful creature to boot. Mr. Phipson gripped the king cobra round the neck, and a native literally held on for his life further down, and when the reptile's struggles were over a third man, armed with a surgeon's scalpel, removed eight layers of membrane from each eye.—Sketch.

Gladstone's Eloquence.

His persuasive witchery of eloquence will be poorly understood by generations to come, says The Atlantic. It is not found in the word, the phrase, the argument or the thought. It came from the most part from the spirit that warmed the breath of the man, sounded in his voice, looked out of his eyes. It was personal to him, and largely part of the moral qualities that seemed to be his greater distinction. No man of his day had such power of persuasion as he. It may not be too bold to say that no man of any time has surpassed him in that power. Yet he was never logically strong. His argumentative writings, the most carefully and deliberately composed, show defects of reasoning that are marked. From controversy with an antagonist like Professor Huxley he was sure to come with wounds. Yet his masterful influence over minds of every class is a certain fact. It was once said by somebody that "Gladstone could persuade anybody to anything—himself included," and the epigram carries no doubt a significant truth.

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A Bat With a Head.

The wise one was explaining to the other that the bat cannot see in the daytime. It was in the basement of a butcher, eggs and chicken place on Washington street.

"You see," he said, as he stuck his finger close to the wide open eyes of the bat, "he can't see a thing. Now watch."

He jabbed his finger into the orb of the unsuspecting little victim, which at once threw up its wings and hopped to the farther end of the perch.

But the wise man was not satisfied. He wanted to demonstrate his knowledge still further.

"No, he can't see a bit," he said, jabbing his finger the second time into the staring eye.

"See," he said, as he repeated his demonstration.

The bat in the meantime was flapping its wings excitedly and trying to grope its way to safety.

"That's a peculiar thing about owls and bats," the wise one went on, "that they can see only in the nighttime. Now, you just watch for yourself."

Again he tortured the frightened night bird.

By this time the worm turned. The bat fought back, and by a quick movement caught the torturing finger in its beak.

The wise man jerked his hand away, and with a loud "Ouch!" put the digit into his own mouth to suck the blood.

"Yes, I see," said his friend.—Chicago Journal.

French Local Papers.

The French local papers are the merest rags, conducted in many cases by people who appear to be totally ignorant of everything that goes on outside their own department. The result is that the most extraordinary statements appear. In a paper local to the Riviera there once appeared the announcement:

"Cowardly attempt on the life of a president. Mr. Jameson has been arrested for the attempted assassination of M. Joubert, the president of the Transvaal republic." This was at the time of the Jameson raid.

This same paper recently noted the arrival of "Lady Killarney" on the Riviera and added that "Lady Killarney" was a daughter of the Prince of Wales who had married an Irish nobleman of high rank and had been obliged to renounce all her royal rights in order to do so. This was why she did not go to the same place as the queen or the Princess of Wales. "Lady Killarney" was the Duchess of York.

Another French local paper of equal standing once announced that "Lord Balfour, president of the Liberal club and son-in-law of Lord Salisbury," had been imprisoned by "Sir Gladstone" in the Tower of London.—London Graphic.

Swallowing Salt Water.

One of the most beneficial features of a sea bath is the salt water inadvertently swallowed by bathers. It is a wonderful tonic for the liver, stomach and kidneys. In many cases it will cure biliousness when all drug preparations have failed. It is peculiarly effective in ordinary cases of indigestion, disordered stomach and insomnia, and has been known to produce excellent results in many cases of dyspepsia.

Clean sea water is full of tonic and sedative properties. It won't hurt anybody. Indeed, two or three big swallows of it would be of positive benefit to nine bathers out of ten. It is not of course a palatable or tempting dose to take, but neither is quinine nor calomel. You seldom if ever see an old sailor who is bilious or dyspeptic or a victim to insomnia, and why? For the reason that an ocean of good medicine spreads all about his sky, and he does himself copiously with it whenever his physical mechanism becomes the least bit deranged.—Washington Star.

The Humidity Meter.

The amount of moisture present or the humidity of the air is determined by a comparison of dry and wet bulb thermometers. They are both ordinary thermometers, but the bulb of the latter is covered with muslin that is wet. In the latest form of instrument the thermometers are mounted on arms carried by a shaft that is rotated by a crank which is geared to the shaft. The motion of the shaft rotates the thermometers in vertical planes and causes the water in the muslin to evaporate more or less rapidly, according to the amount of moisture in the air. This evaporation lowers the temperature of the thermometer, and from tables constructed after long experiments the degree of moisture can be determined by the difference in temperature between the two thermometers.—M. J. Pringle in Popular Science.

THAT TELEGRAM.

Jane was going to be married. The contract was all ready to be signed that very evening, and the notary, with her fiancé, were to come down from town by the same train in time for dinner (Jane's father lived in the country), but as the happy couple were never known to be on time in any of his appointments Jane's papa had privately sent off a telegraphic dispatch half an hour ago saying to the young man, "Do not come too late," so now all was in readiness.

The eventful night had come, the guests for the ceremony of signing the contract had arrived, and all was prepared. The little bride-to-be began to feel nervous as the hour drew near for Jane's arrival. Woods on the drive! She flew to the door. The notary alone had come by the 6 o'clock train—no Jane. Twenty times at least she had gone to the end of the long terrace to catch a glimpse of his approach, but nothing met her view.

"Bah!" said her father. "Do not fret so, my child. He will come by the 8 train. He is very charming, this lover of yours, but he is always late."

"Yes, papa!"

"Yes, yes, always behind time."

At 8 o'clock they went again to the station, but no Jane was there. Dinner was served without him, Jane trying bravely to be cheerful with her guests, but as the hours passed and no lover appeared she could bear it no longer. She left the room and ran to the end of the terrace, where she could weep in solitude, but a young cousin—a fine looking fellow—had followed her and said gently, "You weep, Jane. Jane sobbed out: 'Oh, think what an affront! How can I face all these people?'"

"Do you love him so much?"

"No, not so much now, but I was happy in being married; all my schoolmates at the convent are married already."

Jacques smiled. "Never mind," said he, "we'll find another husband for you."

"You think that so easy? Papa was a long time selecting Jean."

"But suppose I know of another; eh, little cousin?"

Jane answered joyously: "Ah, then I should quickly give Jean his dismissal! But, oh, dear, when I think that all the arrangements are made, that tomorrow the wedding guests will be here, I feel as if I should die with shame. I wish I could!"

"Foolish girl, there is no need for that. Tomorrow you shall be a bride. There will be no excuses to make to the guests. The bridegroom of whom I speak will ask nothing better than to marry you at once, for he loves you. He has loved you for years, but did not dare to tell his love because he believed that you loved the other, and if you marry him tomorrow he will be the happiest of men." Struggling with emotion, he ceased for a moment, then said softly:

"Little cousin."

"Jacques."

"Well, I do not regret this Jean. I will not give him another thought. Bring your friend here."

Jacques took her hand. "Have you not divined that it is I who love, who adore you, who has loved you for years. I know I am not a sentimental fellow like the other, but my heart is yours alone."

Jane thought for a moment, then said quietly: "Jacques, I believe it is you I have loved after all without knowing it, for as you spoke just now my heart beat with joy. But come, let us go to papa—the notary is here. There is nothing to do but change the name in the contract, and tomorrow we will be married. We will leave directly after the wedding breakfast, and when the other comes he will find me gone."

They laughed together like children and ran to explain matters to her father, who was not quite so ready to accept the situation.

"Why, you stupid fellow, did you never speak before?"

"Because Jane was rich and I poor."

"But now?"

"Now I, too, am rich. A distant relative has left me all his fortune of 900,000 francs, which enables me to ask the hand of Jane without being regarded as a fortune hunter."

The father suddenly became reconciled to the change of bridegrooms, saying: "All is prepared. The priest will be here tomorrow, and the marriage will take place after all, and when the other comes how furious he will be! But he will be, as he always is, too late."

The happy couple had just driven away from the house next morning when a note was brought to the old gentleman, with which was inclosed a telegraphic blank. It was his own dispatch.

He read the letter accompanying it and rubbed his hands.

"No wonder he is furious, poor fellow. I sent him a message then, 'Do not come too late,' and the operator made it read thus, 'Do not come, too late.'—From the French For Argonaut.

Invention of the Boomerang.

Of all man's inventions the boomerang seems the strangest and least likely kind of weapon for the natural man, with no knowledge of mechanics, to have hit upon, and yet it becomes intelligible enough when we hear that in Australia, where the boomerang was discovered, there grows a tree that sheds a seed pod of such a shape that it whirls away in the air and returns again as it falls. But how many "black fellows" had watched these seed pods whirl and gyrate—our own ash throws down things that try to emulate the gyration—before one of them thought of imitating the shape of the pod on a large scale and so made the first boomerang? We do not know the date of the first boomerang, but we know when Newton discovered gravitation, and it is likely that the seed pods had been falling about as long as apples.—Blackwood's Magazine.

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To avoid hay fever in its season, use California Catarrh Cure now. It is a sure preventative of this and all mucous diseases. Use it to break up your colds and to prevent colds "hanging on." All dealers, 50 cents, three times as much \$1.

The Honesty of Sentry.

Commodore Schley, in a report to Admiral Sampson, after declaring that the signal was first given by the Iowa and then by the Brooklyn, remarks: "I have never before witnessed such deadly and fatally accurate shooting as was done by the ships of your command as they closed in on the Spanish squadron, and I deem it a high privilege to commend to you for such action as you may deem proper the gallantry and dashing courage, the prompt decision and skilful handling of their respective vessels of Captain Philip, Captain Evans, Captain Clark and especially of my chief of staff, Captain Cook, who was directly under my personal observation, and whose coolness, promptness and courage were of the highest order. The dense smoke of the combat shut out from my view the Indiana and the Gloucester, but as these vessels were closer to your flagship, no doubt their part in the conflict was under your immediate observation."

"I have never in my life served with a braver, better or worthier crew than that of the Brooklyn. During the combat, lasting from 9:30 a. m. until 1:15 p. m., much of the time under fire, they never flinched for a moment and were apparently undisturbed by the storm of projectiles passing ahead, astern and over the ship. I congratulate you most sincerely upon this great victory to the squadron under your command, and I am glad that I had an opportunity to contribute in the least to the victory that seems big enough for all of us."

The spiders that spin webs are in an infinite minority compared with those which do not. Ground spiders, as the spinners are called, abound everywhere and depend on agility and swiftness of foot to catch their prey.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.

—John A. Andrew.

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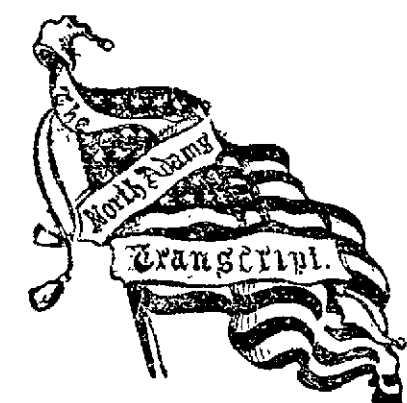
"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY"

From the seal of the city of North Adams

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 28, '93

ADVERTISERS in The Transcript are the best business men in this community. Their advertisements are worth reading, and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

COMMUNICATIONS on live topics are solicited by The Transcript. They must be signed (not necessarily for publication) and be brief, to insure printing.



Stand by the Flag and President.

RETURNING HEROES.

The return of wounded volunteers to their homes among the Berkshires for short furloughs brings to actual personal knowledge for the first time the real horrors of the short campaign in Cuba. Young men who carried away health and vigor now show only too plainly the results of the hardships through which they have passed, and tell stories of the condition of the others still at Santiago for which it is difficult to find belief. But through it all they have borne themselves like heroes, and the modest dislike of those who have returned to speak of themselves is characteristic of men who have not faltered in the face of danger. But in speaking of the company as a whole, they find no words of praise too great, and the men who "surprised themselves by not running" have only fulfilled the confidence of those who sent them out with sorrow and with pride.

Through all the hardships the typical American spirit of getting the best there is to be had out of every situation has kept the men from losing courage. The smile with which the story is told of making a meal of the oats furnished for the horses, after 36 hours of starving, shows that the grim humor of the situation was not lost even on those who were fainting for nourishment, and the soldier who recited the opening lines of "Barefoot Boy" after a Cuban had stolen his shoes was the best fighter for his country. Berkshire has every reason to be proud of the bravery and spirit of its representatives at the front, and may rejoice with them that the hardest part of their work is done.

A UNIFORM INTERPRETATION.

The test of the license law interpretation promised for next fall will be an interesting event, and one which will reflect credit on those who are working to have the question decided. The discussion has passed the stage of personal denunciation in all reasonable quarters, and has assumed the form it should have taken in the first place and for which the Transcript argued, the form of questioning in a legal way the legality of the commissioners' proceedings. There are arguments on both sides, as investigations by both sides show, and as a question which has come up in other cities than this, and has been variously decided, it is one which should be decided uniformly for the state.

The license commissioners are made by law the highest authority on the subject. Common sense has compelled them to interpret a place in the liquor business as it would have been interpreted in other lines of business. Naturally the interpretations have varied. If the courts can fix a rule by which commissioners may be guided other than this, and such a rule is not confined to, then and then only will calls for resignation and personal attacks be in order. Every loyal citizen will be glad to see the matter put beyond question.

Captain Eulate testifies that he was much struck with the battery fire of the Brooklyn at Santiago.

Porto Rico's resorting season has been opened by General Miles. His presence there will be sure to attract thousands of others.

Adams is soon to have another company, to last until the war is over. From present indications its existence will not be a long one.

By order of the major-general commanding, several yellow journal cor-

respondents are returning from Santiago with wounded feelings.

There seems to be much less yellow fever on board the boats that come back from the Klondike this summer than there was on those that went up last fall.

Incensed at the way they have been treated at Santiago, General Garcia's followers have taken their departure, and everything else they could lay their hands on.

The field of entries in the representative sweepstakes in North Adams is narrowing down. F. P. Dowlin, mentioned as a candidate, has declared that he will not enter the race.

The insurance authorities of the New England exchange are invited to attend the first fire at which the new chemical engine operates. The fire net has been spread by the city to make the fall in insurance rates perfectly safe for the companies.

The truth about that Garcia letter seems to be that Garcia is no writer and Castillo does his proclamations and things. But as the protest was to be for effect in the United States, the correspondent, Arms, wrote it under Castillo's orders and it was sent out. It was Garcia's letter if it hit and Castillo's if it missed, and there you are. It missed.

Look out for the yellow newspaper liar. He has taken his position near the entrance to Porto Rico. The last time he was there he touched the hearts of all readers by his glowing account of how the daughter of a Spanish general kept close to the side of her warlike father and actually turned aside a ponderous explosive which came from one of our vessels and grazed the old warrior's helmet as he essayed to beat back the "base invaders."

Still More Italics.

Washington, July 28.—The commissioner of Internal Revenue has held that merchandise brokers are not required to stamp both buyers' and sellers' contracts under the new act. The original note or memorandum of sale is alone held to be subject to the tax, and further, a more memorandum accompanying an offer to purchase is subject to the tax only when the offer is accepted. Merchandise brokers are held to be common law brokers, and as such are subject to the tax provided for in section 2 of the new revenue act. The commissioner also has held that merchants, warehousemen, auctioneers and cattle brokers who receive goods, produce of any kind or livestock are not commercial brokers within the meaning of section 2 of the new revenue act, and therefore are not subject to a special tax.

In declaring on the medical schedule, the commissioner says: "Any medicinal article which is compounded by any formula, published or unpublished, will be held to be taxable under schedule B, when it is put up in style or manner similar to that of patent, trademark or proprietary medicine in general, or is advertised on the package or otherwise as a remedy or specific for any ailment, as having any special claim to merit, or as having any peculiar advantage in mode of preparation, quality, use or effect."

Prince Bismarck's Sickness.
 Berlin, July 28.—The reports of Prince Bismarck's serious illness are unfortunately verified so far as can be ascertained. The family feared the worst yesterday. The prince is weaker today, but as he slept well last night it is hoped he may again improve. The whole family is assembled at Friedrichsruhe. From the best available sources it may be gathered that Bismarck's condition is one of diminishing strength and power to fight against chronic disease rather than of sudden collapse or change. His vital organs are sound, and as active as is usual in a man of his age. Although his weight diminishes and is now only 167 pounds, he may live for some time unless sudden weakness of the heart sets in. The inflammation of the veins of the leg is causing increasing trouble. Some reports say that an open, painful sore on one leg has prevented him from sleeping and has caused general weakness.

Dr. Schweninger, in a public statement, denies alarmist reports. Prince Bismarck's spirits are good, and the doctor distinctly asserts that there is no immediate danger.

The athletes participating in the International tournament had hoped to have the privilege of offering greetings to the prince, but in view of his condition they could not be admitted for the interview.

Honolulu Broke Loose.

San Francisco, July 28.—When the Coptic arrived with the news that the senate had adopted the Newlands resolution making Hawaii a part of the United States, whistles of foundries, mills and steamers were turned loose and pandemonium reigned. Fireworks were set off and 100 guns were fired on the grounds of the executive building. At the same time the Hawaiian band marched through the streets to the wharf playing American patriotic airs. An immense procession was formed, and a march was made to the executive building.

President Dole was at his beach home when the steamer was sighted. He hurried into town and reached the wharf as the steamer tied up. Captain Sealby of the Coptic was presented with a silver cup by the citizens of Honolulu for bringing the news. The cup bore the inscription: "Annexation. Presented by the citizens to Captain Sealby, R. N. P., who brought the good news to Honolulu."

The leading men of Honolulu have recommended Harold M. Sewall, United States minister to Hawaii, for governor of the islands. It had been generally thought that President Dole would be their choice.

The Tongue.

The tongue is divided into three regions of taste, each of which has its own special function. The tip of the tongue is chiefly sensible to pungent and acid tastes, the middle portion to sweets or bitters, while the back is confined entirely to the flavors of roast meats, butter, oils and rich and fatty substances.

Hood's Pills
 Are gaining favor rapidly. Business men and travelers carry them in vest pockets, ladies carry them in purses, housekeepers keep them in medicine chests, friends recommend them to friends. 25c.

CAUSES A SENSATION.

Promoter Hooley Tells How He Was Fleeced.

Peers and Newspaper Men Victimized Him.

Had to Buy Introductions and to Silence Sordid Journalists.

London, July 28.—The public examination in the bankruptcy court into the affairs of Ernest Terah Hooley, the company promoter, for whose property, on his own application, a receiver was appointed July 23, attracted a big crowd of people Wednesday. The debtor attributed his failure chiefly to his partner, a man named Rucker, crippling the business by drawing out £300,000 within two months.



ERNEST T. HOOLEY.

In detailing the flotation of the Dunlop Tire company, Mr. Hooley said the names on the directorate cost from £50,000 to £100,000, including Lord Albemarle, £12,500, and Lord De La Warr, £25,000. He lost £60,000 on "press calls," these being "shares intended for people connected with newspapers." Mr. Hooley detailed the payments he had made to newspapers, including, it appears, The Pall Mall Gazette, The Financial Post and a number of smaller papers. When questioned about £10,000 paid to Harry Marks, editor of The Financial News, Mr. Hooley denied that it was connected with insertions of "puffs" in that paper.

As a matter of fact the supposed profit on the flotation of the Dunlop company, amounting to £1,700,000, had been "sweated" away to under £200,000. Mr. Hooley further asserted that he gave many thousands of pounds for introductions to Lord Ashburton, Warwick Norbury and others, and he testified that the Earl of Winchelsea received £10,000 for acting as chairman of one of the bicycle tube manufacturing concerns.

The testimony is creating even more of a flutter in the west end than in the city proper. The revelations concerning such men as the Earl of De La Warr and the Earl of Albemarle have been received with astonishment. Numerous instances were disclosed by Mr. Hooley in which a peer bearing a proud title would charge the promoter a sum ranging from £500 to £2000 for an introduction to another peer. Thus Mr. Hooley said, the Earl of De La Warr received £2000 for an introduction to Lord Greyville, while Lord Doerhurst was paid £2000 for an introduction to Lord Ashburton.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Pearl Merrill, 10 years old, was drowned in Pittsfield, Me.

Frank J. Bemis has been appointed postmaster at Madbury, N. H.

Aaron Bedell, an aged farmer of Weston, Me., was gored to death by a bull. The Spanish troops in Porto Rico are being withdrawn from the outlying towns and are concentrating upon San Juan.

Arthur Merrill of the Auburn, Me., fish hatchery, will assume the duties of superintendent of the Massachusetts state hatchery at Wilkinsonville Aug. 1.

Emily A. Spooner of Philadelphia and Jean Farley, aged 10 years, were drowned while bathing at Holly Beach, N. J. The child was the daughter of the proprietress of a hotel.

General Blanco announces that General Linares, commander in the province of Santiago, has ceased to exercise jurisdiction over the eastern section of the province. Linares was appointed in November last.

The viceroy of Canton has announced the complete suppression of the rebellion in three districts in China; that four cities have been reconquered by the imperial troops, and that an influential rebel chief has been arrested.

A big fire is raging in the Black Diamond mine of the Hadcock Coal company at Luzerne, Pa. The progress of the men is slow on account of the large amount of gas which is ignited by the fire as fast as it accumulates.

Courtland Littlefield, aged 76, was suffocated at a fire in the residence of J. H. Roberts at Menhantick park, near Providence. The house was damaged to the extent of about \$5000, and he was in the upper story when overcome.

Notices have been posted in the Narragansett cotton mill in Warren, R. I., which is operated by the Richmond Manufacturing company, stating that the mill will be shut down during August. A dull market is the cause of the curtailment.

James A. Haradon, who rowed with the Worcester high school crew in the senior eight-oared race in Philadelphia last Saturday, died yesterday of appendicitis brought on by a severe wrench in the bowels received at Atlanta City last Sunday.

An Arizona Hair Cut.

"Doesn't it disturb you when they have a shooting scrape next door?" asked the tenderfoot who was undergoing an Arizona hair cut.

"Disturb nothin'" answered the barber. "It generally makes it easier." At this juncture the shooting began at Red Mike's saloon next door. The tenderfoot's hair rose on end, and the barber trimmed it as expeditiously as if he were shearing a hedgehog. —Chicago Tribune.

Sun and Weather.

On the 1st of July the earth receives 6 per cent less heat from the sun than it does during a corresponding period in the month of January. But winter does not occur then in the northern hemisphere, because the sun runs high in the sky and its rays fall upon the earth more nearly vertically than six months later, and, too, the day is much longer than the night, so that while the sun sends us a little less heat in total amount we get a much larger proportion of what it does give us than we do in January, when the total heat for the whole earth is greater. —New York Times.

Fun From the French.

A boulevardier is at once surprised and enchanted to meet an old time companion whose suicide had been reported. "It's true," said the latter. "I did want to kill myself, simply from distaste of life. And then came along the doctors and discovered that I had a grave disorder. Since then, you understand, I take care of myself!" —Figaro.

Surely He Wouldn't.

"If I were only a man," she said, "we could!" "Possibly we could," he said, "but the chances are we wouldn't. If you were a man, I wouldn't be here. I'd be saying nice things to somebody who wasn't a man."

Sometimes it is worth while to think of such facts as these. —Chicago Post.

He Has Been There.

Little Elsie—Here in this book it tells about the tree of knowledge. I wonder what kind of a tree that can be? Little Florence—I guess it must be a cherry tree. Whenever you climb up into one of them, you always know better than to do it again if you get caught. —Cleveland Leader.

Careful Buyers

Are taking advantage of the exceptional low prices on

DIAMONDS

Loose or mounted at
HIGLEY
 WATCHMAKER & OPTICIAN

CEYLON AND INDIA TEA.

While the war revenue duty is in force, consumers may save money by using MACHINE-MADE tea. The PURITY of this tea, as compared with hand-rolled tea, means GREATER STRENGTH and that means much to every housewife from an economic standpoint.

NOTE THE ECONOMY—ONE teaspoonful makes TWO cups with FIVE minutes infusion.

LIPTON'S Ceylon-India TEAS

"Are the finest the world produces." In sealed packages, Put up by the grower.

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Bargains . . In Jewelry .

Step into our store as you pass by. Ask to see our goods. Get our prices and be convinced that we have just what we claim to have.

Watches . . and Clocks.

Are you in need of either of the above. We can please you in style, satisfy you in quality and save you money.

White, The Jeweler,
 50 MAIN STREET.

W H GAYLORD

For Summer

Come and see how well you summer needs have been provided for. In gathering the new stocks we have bettered our own best in two ways—the assortments are larger and the prices, almost without exception, are lower than ever before.

In Wash Goods

Dimities, Organdies, Cordons, Batistes, Mullettes, Muslins, Percales, India Linens, Dotted Swisses—everything that should be here.

In Dress Goods

All the spring novelties have had their prices put down for quick closing. Be on hand for the bargains.

W H GAYLORD

NORTH ADAMS Savings Bank.

ESTABLISHED 1848. 73 MAIN ST. Adjoining Adams National Bank. Business hours 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., Saturdays to 6 p. m.
 President, A. C. Houghton; Treasurer, V. A. Whitaker; Vice-Presidents, William Burton, G. L. Rice, W. H. Gaylord; Trustees, A. C. Houghton, William Burton, G. L. Rice, W. A. Gallup, E. S. Wilkinson, H. T. Cady, C. H. Cutting, V. A. Whitaker, W. H. Gaylord, W. H. Sperry, Arthur Robinson, N. L. Millard, F. A. Wilcoxson.
 Board of Investment, G. L. Rice, W. H. Gaylord, F. A. Wilcoxson.

North Adams Savings Bank. NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS.

In accordance with the provisions of chapter 138 of the Acts of the year 1896 of the laws of Massachusetts all depositors are hereby notified to present their books of deposit at the bank for verification before the first day of October, 1898. This call is made under the provisions of said chapter which reads as follows: "Section 47. During the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and every third year thereafter, every such corporation shall call in the books of deposit of their depositors for verification, under rules to be prescribed by their respective boards of investment, duly approved by the board of commissioners of savings banks."

NORTH ADAMS SAVINGS BANK,
 By V. A. WHITAKER, Treasurer.
 North Adams, Mass., July 15, 1898.

Fall Suits Arrive Next Week.....

ANY SUMMER SUIT NOW AT A BIG REDUCTION.

\$3 Trousers now \$2.50.

\$4 Trousers now \$3.

Money Willingly Refunded.

J. SUMMER,

One Price Clothier. 61 Main Street

Boston Store. Boston Store.

NORTH ADAMS, JULY 28, 1893.

WEATHER—Generally fair tonight and Thursday; variable winds, becoming south.

INVENTORY PRICES

Silks.	Wrappers.
China Silks, in dark colors, 25c quality, 14c.	35 dozen of Wrappers, lights and dark, full skirts, trimmed with tucks and trimming lace—as good a Wrapper as we can usually sell for 1.00—while they last our price is 59c each.
China Silks, in dark colors, 75c quality, 29c.	Wash Goods at greatly reduced prices. This department especially has felt the inventory prices. We can hardly tell you everything about it, but come in expecting to find a bargain and you will not be disappointed.
Trimming Silks in all shades, 1.00 quality, 69c.	
Shirt Waists.	
All our 1.25 and 1.50 waists at 98c each.	
Our 1.00 and 1.25 Waists 75c each.	
Another lot of those 50c Waists which you know all about, but perhaps could not get before, if you come early one is yours now for 29c.	

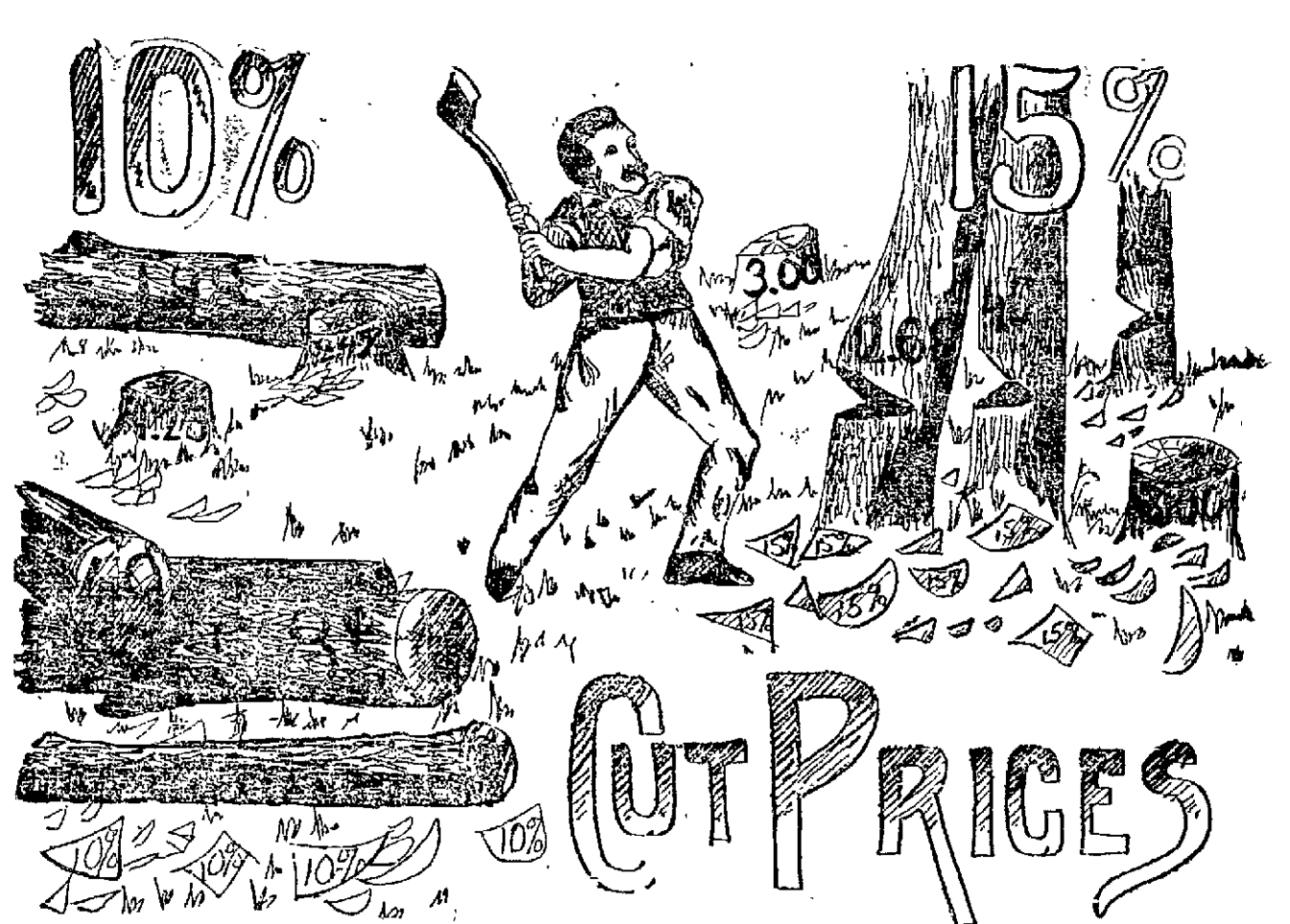
BOSTON STORE, Blackinton Block.

"Jenness Miller" \$3.50 Hygienic Shoes for Women.

WEARING TIGHT ill-fitting Shoes means reaping a big crop of corns and bunions. Only one way to cure them. Remove the cause by wearing "Jenness Miller" Hygienic Shoes. These Shoes are strictly handmade from our own specially tanned "VELVETIA" kid and are constructed on strictly scientific principles to conform to the natural foot. They fit the feet as nature intended. We show them in "turns" in button and lace, in the new "dress" toe. \$3.50 and \$5.00. We are sole agents for the "JENNESS MILLER" SHOES for this city. No other dealer has them, or their equal.

PRATT BROS.,
 No. 1 Burlingame Block, Main Street.

WEBER BROTHERS.



Reduction Sale All This Week.

10 and 15 per cent cut off from every purchase of SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

10 per cent cut off of goods from 49c to \$2.49.
 15 per cent cut off of goods from \$2.97 to \$6.00 from

Regular Prices

- Weber Bros. -

Manufacturers. Wholesalers. Retailers.

FIRST ON THE KLONDIKE

THE JOSEPH LADUE

GOLD MINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY OF YUKON.

PRICE OF SHARES TO BE ADVANCED AUGUST 31, 1898.

Mr. Joseph Ladue, the pioneer of the Klondike, and founder of Dawson City, aided by some of the most conservative and successful financiers of New York, is operating the strongest company yet formed for mining and trading in the Yukon gold fields.

To this company he has transferred placer claims on Hunker and Gold Bottom creeks, the "Marguerite" Quartz Mine, his Saw Mill, his Timber Lease, that virtually monopolizes the saw timber on the Klondike, and large holdings of Choice Town Lots in Dawson City. The company also owns the S. S. "Morgan City" now earning \$20,000 per month, and has shipped up the Yukon several hundred tons of merchandise, for trade, upon which a very large profit is assured. The U. S. Government reports certify that the saw mill produces about two million feet of lumber in the open season, sales price of which is from \$140 to \$240 per 1,000 feet according to class.

CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

Preferred Stock, 6% cumulative,	\$1,000,000
Common Stock,	4,000,000
Total Capital, par value, \$10 per share,	\$5,000,000

The preferred stock has a first lien on earnings for its dividend, and on the assets of the company for its par value, and after all the stock of the company has received 6 per cent, the surplus earnings are shared pro rata by the preferred and common stock.

Thus the preferred stock practically offers the safeguards and advantages of a first mortgage bond, coupled with an earning capacity as great as that of the common stock.

The undersigned has obtained a short option on a block of this preferred stock which he now offers at par, \$10.00 per share. This option terminates August 31st, 1898, after which the price of the preferred stock will be advanced by the company to \$12.50 per share.

This is the last opportunity to get the preferred stock at par, and in time to participate in the autumn dividend. Shares will be allotted in the order subscriptions are received.

Send for map of Dawson, and data respecting Klondike.

CHARLES A. SAWYER, 230 WASHINGTON ST. BOSTON.

THE NEIGHBORING TOWNS.

READSBORO.

Mrs. Lydia Reed of Amherst is visiting at T. W. Harrington's.

Mrs. Lucy Bishop and son are visiting in North Brantree, Mass.

Mrs. O. Hicks of North Adams is visiting at Mrs. Ada Houghton's.

Win Crozier has been firing on the passenger train for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Levitt and sons Leon and Linnie are visiting in town.

Mrs. Ada Houghton has one of the chair company's lawn swings on her lawn.

Mrs. Mabel Van Vechten of Hartwellville is visiting her sister Mrs. M. O. Hicks.

Miss Carrie Reed of Hartwellville has been visiting at Mrs. Herman Jewell's.

Work has begun on some new storehouses for the National Metal Box company.

A party of young people from here held a picnic on T. D. Goodell's farm last Thursday.

Wm. Fisher has been in town for the past week canvassing for the international Cyclopaedia.

Rollin Childs of Brattleboro has been in town the past week looking after his insurance business.

A. B. Clark left Tuesday morning to join his wife at Nantucket. He will be gone several weeks.

A. A. Johnson who has been visiting at Wm. Crozier's returned to his home in Bridgeport, Conn., Tuesday.

Murray Hicks lost a valuable team horse last week. He has purchased another pair of heavy work horses.

Miss Florence Robinson has finished work for E. J. Bullock & Co., and has returned to her home in North Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McDugal of North Adams are stopping at the Goodell House. They are enjoying their honeymoon.

Clifford Herbert and Ella Chase of Randolph, Mass., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. G. A. Boyd. Harry Cottle came with them.

The remains of Henry Crozier were interred in the cemetery at Hartwellville. Rev. N. D. Sherman delivered the funeral sermon.

A sewing society will meet with Mrs. A. C. Niles Thursday afternoon and evening. The proceeds will be paid into the war fund.

Mike Sullivan has finished work in the barber shop at the Goodell House. Geo. Smith of Chester, Vt., will take his place and move his family here.

SAVOY.

Rev. William McCulloch of Oak Grove, Iowa, is to preach at the Union church, North State, on Sunday, July 31, at 10:30 a. m.

John McCulloch and family of Adams were the guests of his brother A. J., on Sunday.

Milo Maynard and wife of Hawley visited at A. E. Bliss's.

Luther Stafford and Misses Alta Bliss and Lela Blanchard went to Charlemon Friday.

Dea. Newton Cain of Holyoke who is visiting his brother J. L. Cain attended church at New State, Sunday.

Luman Sherman and wife of Louisiana and George W. Sherman and wife of Nyack, N. Y., are visiting friends in this place.

Frank Bliss enjoyed a day at Forest park, Adams, recently.

John P. Cain and wife of Holyoke are visiting his father, Postmaster J. L. Cain.

Mrs. Theo. Burnett is entertaining several young ladies from Adams.

Willis Blanchard has found one swarm of wild bees which he has saved.

Lemuel Brown of North Adams has been at work haying for M. E. Cain.

A. J. McCulloch has made a contract to carry the mail from New State to Savoy Center postoffice for three years.

NORTH POWNAL.

Paul Schilling has quite a number of city people visiting him here.

E. B. Gardner has his new house completed sufficiently to occupy it.

The M. E. Sunday school intends to have a picnic at Forest park next week.

S. L. Smith's new barn is nearly completed and the carpenters have the frame of his house up and the roof well started.

The drought still continues in our vicinity. Pastures are brown from the effects of the dry weather except where the land is swampy. All around reports of rain are given but little has fallen here in the last month. Early potatoes on dry land have been injured so that the yield will be small.

If sufficient rain should fall soon the late crop may be saved. Some have finished haying and those who commenced early have secured their hay in fine condition.

WILMINGTON.

Joseph Partridge was in North Adams recently.

Antonio Chille has gone to North Adams for work.

Forrest Willington has moved to the house owned by Mrs. Lucretia Russell.

Miss Edith M. Bell arrived last Thursday evening for the summer vacation.

Miss Laura Haynes is in Sharon, Vt., visiting friends, and will be absent two weeks.

Chauncey Cushman and wife who have been visiting their old home here returned to their home in Springfield, Mass., on Monday.

Dana Pease and wife of Vernon, Vt., on their wheels stopped one day at W. A. Hall's afterwards going to other relatives in this vicinity.

The Universalist Sunday school elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, L. W. Boyd; assistant superintendent, Mrs. Herbert Fox; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Hicks; librarian, Miss Mary Titus; asst. librarian, Miss Claire Brown; organist, Mrs. E. H. Porter; assistant organist, Mrs. P. W. Davis.

WEST HAWLEY.

George Miller of Chicopee is visiting at Stillman Carter's.

Mrs. Frank Mason and daughter of Concord are visiting at Mrs. H. B. White's.

William McCulloch of Red Oak, Ia., and daughter, Mrs. Street of Platt-

mouth, Neb., are guests at A. C. Vincent's.

Mr. and Mrs. William Spear of Huntington are visiting their sister, Mrs. H. B. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Goodnow of Dalton, also C. D. N. Powers and Prof. Clarence Sage of New York city are spending a few days at W. A. Fuller's.

The Christian Endeavor society had a very helpful addition to their praise service last Sunday evening. Mrs. Pike of Rhode Island gave a very beautiful solo, "Sowing the Tares." Prof. C. Sage of New York gave a fine organ solo, "Evening Song." The solos, "My Ain Country," "Love Divine" and "Nearer My God To Thee" were admirably sung by Clifton Powers of New York city.

STANFORD.

Will Abbott is at L. W. Kemp's.

Mr. Langdon of Troy is visiting at W. E. Childs'.

John Tudor and family spent Sunday in Bennington.

Several of our citizens attended the Saratoga excursion this week.

Chain letters for the wounded soldiers are now going the rounds.

Mrs. Magee from Pownal, a former resident, is visiting old friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Sherwood are visiting her brother, Rev. F. O. Winans.

Mrs. Fayette Nichols is stopping with her father, Obed Hall, for a few weeks.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. W. M. Sanford Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Anna Smith and children of New Haven, Conn., are with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Houghton.

Mrs. Cooper and son Alonzo from Bennington were the guests of Lillie Cooper, Thursday.

Johnny, son of Patrick McGrath, died at his home July 20, after a long and painful illness. His funeral was at St. Francis' church North Adams, July 22.

HEMLOCK BROOK.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Galusha of Bee Hill have quite a house full of city and town boarders.

Marshall Sanders and wife have been on a vacation picnic with relatives and friends in Bennington, Vt.

Mrs. Shannahan of Somerville, N. J., is here on a visit to her many friends. She is at present the guest of Mrs. G. W. Smith.

Wheat and streams are low, corn is curling up and potatoes are being blighted. These are a few of the effects of a drought, only once relieved by a rain in the last four weeks.

Mrs. Fred Bailey of Troy is the guest of Mrs. Chauncey Galusha. Her brother-in-law, Dexter Bailey of the law firm of Shaw & Bailey of Troy, is also spending a part of his vacation here and will later make a tour in northern New York.

WHITINGHAM.

S. B. Pike, dentist, was at the Spring house Monday.

Mrs. Moses Streeter is away for medical treatment.

Mrs. Annie Scudder is working for Mrs. Frank Davis.

Harvey Russell of Holyoke spent Sunday with his family.

Florence Bryant of Readsboro is stopping at H. J. Chase's.

Miss Eva Sprague is spending her vacation with her mother.

Miss Eva Reed returned to her home last week in very poor health.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Shumway July 19.

Miss Maria Butterfield was baptized at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. S. B. Riddell has been spending a week at Aaron Clark's in Halifax.

A party of seven from New Jersey are boarding at Dr. Holtons' for a few weeks.

Mr. Jones and family from New York state are visiting at Amelius Wilder's.

Bert Chase and wife of New York city are spending a few weeks at Wilbur Chase's.

What? Whiter and Frank Jilson went to Hoosac Tunnel Saturday to attend a ball game.

The Misses Bessie and Edith Bemis of Boston arrived Thursday to spend their vacation at H. A. Wheeler's.

G. W. Heald of Brattleboro gave a fine graphophone entertainment at Green Mountain hall last Wednesday night.

Miss Ella Chase and two brothers of Randolph, Mass., are expected Tuesday to spend a few days with friends in town.

George Warren and family of Shelburne Falls and Forest Barker and wife of Jacksonville were at Mrs. Cutler's Thursday.

CHARLEMON.

The Charlemon baseball team were too many for the St. Jeans of North Adams, Saturday.

Work began on the state road Monday. It commenced on the hill near the postoffice, and it is hoped to complete the whole by September 1.

About 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon smoke was seen issuing from the barn of H. A. Rice. It came from a bay of hay containing about 35 tons. Help soon arrived and began to pitch the hay out until the whole now was cleared when fire was found at the bottom of the bay. It was caused by putting in the hay when it was so green. The barn was damaged but little.

INTERESTED PEOPLE.

Advertising a patent medicine in the peculiar way in which the proprietor of Kemp's Balsam for Coughs and Colds does it, is indeed wonderful. He authorizes all druggists to give to those who call for a sample bottle free, that they may try it before purchasing. The large bottles are 25 and 50c. We certainly would advise a trial. It may save you from consumption.

THE NONCOMBATANT.

Among a race high handed, strong of heart, So covet conquerors, bullies in the wars, He had his birth, a nature too complete, Eager and doubtful, no man's soldier aware, And no man's chosen champion ready to fall, A name without an echo, yet he, too, Within the closest of his narrow days, Fulfilled the ancestral rite and kept alive The eternal fire. It may be not in vain, For out of those who dropped a downward glance Upon the working huddled at his prayers, Perhaps some looked beyond him and then first Beheld the glory and what shrine it filled And to what spirit sacred, or perchance Some heard him chanting, though but to himself. The old heroic names and went their way And hummed his music on the march to death. —Henry Newbolt in Athenaeum.

THE MISSING BOOK.

"Why, it's absolutely absurd, Mr. Barrie, and you ought to be ashamed even to listen to such a suggestion. Can't you see that if she had the book it must be in the house somewhere? She has had no opportunity to dispose of it."

Robert Barrie, Scotchman, had tried to keep his thoughts through this interview with young Sprague for many reasons. One of them was his suspicion that Sprague loved his daughter Marion, the very apple of his eye. Another was his respect for Sprague himself, and, perhaps the strongest of all, his boast that he never let his temper master him.

This occasion, however, was too much. To be told by a young "whippersnapper" that he ought to be ashamed of anything was too much to be tolerated. Besides, Sprague evidently did not know that the book had been found in the house of his aunt, Barbara Myles. He turned on his caller, purple anger mounting to his forehead, and shouted:

"Yes, I can see that the book must of course be in the house." He came a step nearer and added: "And it was found there this morning. Here it is now."

And he held out the priceless copy of Frank Walton that had long been the pride of his collection. Sprague turned white and seemed about to fall. "Found in my aunt's house, you say?" he faltered.

"Aye," answered Barrie. "Now, can you deny she stole it?" "Who else knew more of its value? Who else had a chance to steal it? Didn't she tell Miss Timmins it would sell for at least \$500 and she knew where she could use the money well? I don't know that she hasn't used her position as librarian to steal other books. Heaven knows when she got any money she went to your college. I shall call a meeting of the library trustees at once and see if they will not agree with me to prosecute her to the extent of the law, and now, don't you step over my threshold again so long as you live. I don't want anything to do with any breed of thieves, either you or your."

Sprague took a sudden step and tackled Barrie as he had many a time tackled a running half back at football practice. Barrie fell heavily and looked half afraid up into the stern young face above him.

"Now, get up," said Sprague, "and if you ever say another word against my aunt in my presence I'll—I'll give you another lesson in football tricks of the goal kicking description," he finished, half smiling to himself.

Only the morning before this interview the town of Norwell had been thrown into a spasm of excitement by the news that "the book" had been found. When Robert Hackett died, he divided his really notable library among the public libraries of his native state and to Norwell fell his famous Walton, the object of many a bookworm's pilgrimage to his library. Its bequest was hedged about by many conditions, the foremost of which was the solemn injunction that under no circumstances was it to be removed from the library.

It was this particular condition which caused Barbara Myles to experience a continual oppressing sense of responsibility. The Walton was never absent from her mind, and she visited its resting place in the library a dozen times a day.

Beyond the slender salary which came from her position she had little except an unusual education and the bibliophile's love of books. John Sprague was her only relative and she loved him with the love of a mother. When Robert Hackett died, the quarter's salary, his daughter Marion, and of late eccentric Job Doyle, comprised the list of her Norwell callers.

Young Sprague repaid her love and sacrifice with almost the devotion of a lover. He knew the story of the extra cataloguing done for the big city library that he might complete his college course. His love for Marion Barrie, too, was no secret from his gentle little aunt, and she fed him honey for hours of his sweet heart, with constant letters.

She herself had discovered the loss and reported it to the chairman of trustees, Robert Barrie, with fear and trembling. He had told the village constable, and that Sherlock Holmes, being told the remark made to Miss Timmins about the value of the Walton, immediately arrested Barbara Myles. It was this that had caused the interview ending with the football game.

John Sprague left the house, realizing that probably his love dream was over for good and all, but not sorry on the whole that he had defended his aunt's good name in such a summary fashion.

The news of the finding of the book staggered him, and he sought to explain it to himself, never once departing from his stout belief in his aunt's honesty. On the way to her house, where she was confiding him to her more suitable jail, he met Job Doyle. Job was as contented and untroubled as Pudd'nhead Wilson and with a bookworm of the worst kind. This morning he was full of the missing book and as indignant as Sprague himself at the turn of affairs.

"John, my son," said he, "what fuddle headed piece of business is this? If I could get hold of that constable, I believe I'd cane him, I do. Why, the fool, to think that a mother, a woman, a woman like you, the angel Gabriel might steal it, but she wouldn't. See here, John, I suppose I ought to tell you something, seeing that you are the only living relative she's got. I'm in love with that little woman—yes, sir, I am—and by old Isaac Walton himself I'm going to marry her if she'll say yes. Meanwhile we'll get her out of this scrape, you and I."

Mr. Doyle said Sprague, "I am surprised to hear of your doing this. But I'll do all I can to help things along. But this is no time to talk of such things. I've been to Barrie's, and we had a scrap, and he's forbidden me the house."

"Poor boy," replied Doyle, "and Marion, how does she feel?"

"I haven't seen her since she got here, but it's easy to imagine how she will treat me."

"That reminds me, I went to see Barrie myself this morning, and a new maid came to the door whom I never saw, and when she asked me my name I couldn't tell her. No, sir, I couldn't, and she thought she'd got a lunatic, I guess, because she slammed the door in my face, and I don't think what my name was till I got round the corner. But about the book. Of course the thing has just been mislaid, and I'll make Barrie smart for this. Why, darn it all, I was reading the book myself that afternoon, and I went home with Barbara—I'll call her that this time without the mis— and she didn't have it. Put it back? Why, certainly, I always do. Of course, a fuddle headed fool! I'll cane him."

John went straight to his father's, determined not to tell her of the futile interview with Barrie and his ending. But Cupid ruled otherwise. He found Marion Barrie in the house, and, realizing how hopeless his love must be now, was hardly civil to her. His aunt noticed it and said: "Why, John, Marion has been very uncomfortable, except you always, since this happened, and you act as if you were angry with her. Oh, what are they going to do with me, John? What did Mr. Barrie say?"

And John could keep in no longer. It all came in a rush of passionate words, restrained only by Marion's presence.

As she listened the color left her face and a great tear filled each eye. She loved her father, but now she realized that she loved John Sprague more, and as she realized it her eyes told the story. Barbara had stolen from the room, and they were alone. John flushed with "And that's why I have little to say to you, Miss Barrie."

"Miss Barrie! Ah, no, John, not that. I—" and she blushed and hesitated. "I don't agree with my father, John."

Ten minutes later they sought Barbara Myles to assure her that neither "agreed with father."

"Now, John," said Marion, "I believe that you and I must fathom this. Of course the most natural theory is that some enemy of Miss Myles has put this book here in this house. But there are two facts against that. No one has been in the house but old Job Doyle, and Miss Myles hasn't any enemies. But there was the book!"

"Where was it found?" asked John.

"In the hall under the door here, in the fireplace," answered Barbara. "How could it have come there unless after I had left here the morning I found it was gone some one had come here and placed it in the settle?"

"Were there any signs of any one's coming in, Aunt Barbara? Tell us the whole story again from the last time you saw the book," said John.

"When I came home to lunch, the book was there in its accustomed place. That was the last I saw of it. Oh, no, Job Doyle had it that afternoon."

"Yes, he told me so when I met him. Did he put it back?"

"Why, John, you don't think— Of course he put it back."

"Did you see it after you saw it in his hands? Think hard, now."

The poor little woman blushed and looked uncomfortable and finally said: "No, Mr. Doyle was waiting outside for me and he was storming furiously. So I just put out the remaining lights, and I do believe I did not look to see if the Walton were safe."

"Yes, yes," said John. "Why, we walked home together," she said shyly, "and I asked Job in to have a cup of tea, and he took off his coat and put it in—"

"Where?" demanded John.

"Why—why, in the settle—why—John, you don't think— Why, where are you going, John?"

John rushed out of the house, saying something as he went about "that absent-minded chap will forget where he lives next."

He went to Job Doyle's house, and the maid told him she expected her master back at any moment, so he concluded to wait. Soon came Job, wearing a far-away look, and greeted John with a very formal "How do you do, sir? What can I do for you?"

"Tell us what you stole the Walton for," said John.

"God bless my soul," ejaculated Job. "What do you mean, sir?"

"Nothing but what I said," said John, laughing in spite of himself. "Now, see here, Mr. Doyle. You told me you were reading the book that afternoon. Did you put it back? Now, for Barbara's sake, Doyle, do try and recollect."

"No, I have no recollection of replacing it."

"Now, as a matter of fact, isn't this what happened? You read the Walton all the afternoon, and when 6 o'clock struck and Aunt Barbara began to put the lights out you put your greatcoat on—"

"And, like a fuddle headed fool that I am, slipped the book into my pocket."

"Exactly."

"How did it get into the settle?"

"Simplest thing in the world. When you went into the house—"

"I took my coat off, and it slipped out of the pocket."

"Right again."

"Well, John Sprague, I'm a bald-headed idiot. Come on down to Barrie's and tell him the story and then we'll go out hunting for the constable with a shotgun."

"No. You'd better send for Mr. Barrie and tell him about it."

Accordingly Mr. Barrie was sent for, and Job told him the whole story, concluding with:

"Robert Barrie, you'd better take back some things you said this morning to John here. But if you want to play any football tricks on me, why I guess I'd make a good wayback. Did you ever in your life meet a bigger addle pated ape than me?"

And Robert Barrie was forced to admit that he never had.—George Lincoln in Chicago Record.

Care of the Feet.

The trouble with a woman's feet is that she does not rest them properly. They spread without any necessity for spreading. Even women who do not work suffer from enlargement of the feet. At 20 they wear twos, and at 30 they wear threes, and at 40 they wear fours. Their feet do not grow, and they do not wear any more "sensible" shoes than they once did, but they have rested their feet in the wrong way. They have spread. They have let the muscles take the wrong directions.

When the instep of a foot is tired, the wearer should strip the feet and clothe them in light stockings. Upon her feet she should place a slipper with a totally different heel from the one just worn, higher or lower as the case may be. She should then lie down, turn upon her face and spread the foot out until the instep is resting every inch of its breadth upon a pillow. To force a new arch, the muscles round and stretch the arch and the foot at the same time preserves its adorable arch, the arch prized by all who love a pretty foot. If any who read this think it nonsense, let them try this method of resting when they are tired and see how successful it really is.—Exchange.

"Done it the 15th of May," said the patient, and when the other seemed incredulous, he repeated his statement, adding: "That was the date. I remember because I was a witness that morning in general sessions, part two. It was a mammoth proceeding, and I helped Mike Broderick to establish a alibi."

DISAPPOINTMENT OF OUR SOLDIERS LEFT AT CAMP ALGER.

Washington Heat and Dust a Fit Introduction to the Terrors of Cuba—Ambulance Young Men Who Are Anxious to See the World.

[Special Correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, July 19.—For three weeks before the second brigade left Camp Alger for Cuba the soldiers composing it were taken out over the road between the camp and the Potomac on 16 mile practice marches. They usually started at 6 in the morning, passed the greater part of the day in sham fights, organizing and repelling attacks upon the commissary wagons, etc., and after an all day outing arrived at the river hot, dusty and completely used up. All our old soldiers know what a Virginia road is in summer, and in winter, too, for that matter. When it isn't a foot deep in mud or slippery red clay, it is half a foot deep in dust and not a comfortable trail to travel over. So it was not strange that when our boys reached the Potomac they availed themselves of the first chance to have a swim. One poor fellow was drowned, having been seized by cramps and sunk before help could reach him. It was on account of this accident perhaps that orders were given that the soldiers should not go swimming in the Potomac, but in the placid old canal which winds its way along the banks of the historic river.

As I was going out to Glen Echo one afternoon I was surprised to see our car invaded by a bunch of soldier boys evidently somewhat afraid of being seen, for they huddled in a corner and kept furtive watch out for an enemy. It was not long before their fears were proved to be well grounded, for just as the little colony of dog tents in which the regiment was to be housed that night hove in sight a determined looking sentry appeared, armed with a rifle, and proceeded to rank them off the car and march them to the guard tent. The tents were pitched right out in the sun in an open field, merely canvas shelters

WHERE CAMP ALGER BOYS SWIM.

WATSON AND HIS FLEET

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"PREPARE FOR ACTION!"
"All ready, sir!"
"SLOW DOWN!"
"Aye, aye, sir!"
"MAKE IT HARD APORT!"
"Hard about it is, sir!"

These sharp orders and ready responses will ring out on each of Commodore Watson's big fighting ships when the eastern squadron has crossed the Atlantic and Barcelona, Cadiz, Cartagena, Ferrol, Valencia, Cebu or some Spanish seaport in the Canaries seems to mutely cower before the big guns of the fleet.

Commodore John Crittenden Watson, No. 6 on the list of his rank, was born in Frankfort, Ky., in 1842, and will be 56 years old on Aug. 24. He was appointed lieutenant from his native state in 1860 and entered the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., on Sept. 29, graduating in June, 1860. He became a master, a grade now abolished, on Aug. 31, 1861, a lieutenant on July 16, 1862, when he was ordered to the Hartford as navigation, a lieutenant commander on July 20, 1866, a commander on Jan. 23, 1874, a captain on March 6, 1887, and a commodore on the 7th of last November. He will become rear admiral in the natural course of events on Dec. 26, 1899.

He is an officer of long and varied experience, and his record marks him as one of the ablest men in the navy. As Farragut's flag lieutenant he was of great assistance to the admiral in the battle of Mobile Bay, Aug. 5, 1864, and was twice wounded, once by a shell from the Confederate steamer Warrington. To him and Richard Knowles, navy man, also fell the honor of tashing Farragut to the mizzen rigging on the cross-trees of the Hartford. His conduct won unqualified praise from the old admiral.

"Lieutenant Watson has been brought to your attention in former times," declared Farragut in his official report. "He was on the poop attending to the signals and performed his duty, as might be expected, thoroughly. He is a seaman worthy of the noble stock he springs from, and I commend him to your attention."

Commodore Watson was also in the battles of New Orleans, Vicksburg and Port Hudson. Since the war he has had the usual routine duty of a naval officer, at sea and on shore, and was for a number of years governor of the Naval Home in Philadelphia. In 1873 he married Miss Elizabeth Thornton, daughter of Judge James Thornton of San Francisco. One son, John Edward Watson,



COMMODORE WATSON.

came his family stock. His father was Dr. Edward Howe Watson and his mother Sarah Lee Crittenden, a daughter of John Jordan Crittenden, a governor of Kentucky who later became attorney general in William Henry Harrison's cabinet.

General Thomas L. Crittenden, U. S. A., who at the battle of Buena Vista delivered to Santa Anna the memorable response, "General Taylor never surrenders," was an uncle to the commodore.

Governor Crittenden's second wife was the widow of John Henry Todd, and the son by her first marriage, Harry I. Todd, was the father of Chapman C. Todd, a commander in the navy who has been in charge of the gunboat Wilmington, that has done such good service about Cienfuegos and the southern shore of Cuba.

When the project of attacking Spain's seacoast cities was first announced by the navy department, the warships ordered to take part in the demonstration were named, but since then there have been so many rumors of changes that the exact make up of the fleet is in some doubt. The following ships are the ones first officially announced as composing the fleet:

1. The Newark, flagship, commanded

The Fighting Men and the Big Ships That Are to Menace the Spanish Coast.

eight 8 inch guns, four 6 inch, twenty rapid firing 6 pounders, six 1 pounders and four machine guns. Her length is 318 feet, beam 63.2 feet. Technically described, she is a "seagoing coast line battleship of 10,238 tons." She has one military mast. Her commander is Captain Charles E. Clark.

In the great fight off Santiago the Oregon very materially assisted the fleet armored cruiser Brooklyn in rounding up the Cristobal Colon, and her big guns did an immense amount of damage to several of the Spanish ships. The Colon was a new cruiser and was probably the swiftest ship in the Spanish squadron, but the big Oregon, plunging along at a speed of 16 knots, was able to practically overhaul her and compel her to surrender.

3. The Iowa, which many naval men consider the ideal battleship of the navy, but one in which greater speed and coal endurance are sought at the expense of armor and armament. It is commanded by the famous Robley D. Evans, "Fighting Bob," who is just seven steps lower than Barker on the list of captains. The steaming radius of the Iowa is 7,000 miles. She is our greatest battleship, being of 11,255 tons displacement, and our fastest as well, credited as she is with a speed of 17

went into the action was hurt by bursting shells or flying splinters. Her 12 inch guns were saved with terrible precision, and the 350 pound projectiles crashed through the armored sides of the Vizcaya, Maria Teresa and Almirante Oquendo. The battleship Massachusetts has been mentioned as a possible substitute for the Iowa in the squadron and the cruisers Columbia and Minneapolis as possible additions to the roster of the fleet.

4. The three auxiliary cruisers, the Yankee, the Dixie and Yosemite, were formerly the Morgan liners El Norte, El Sol and El Sud. The first is commanded by Commander Willard H. Brownson, who at Rio Janeiro fired the shot that was never answered and resulted in the collapse of the revolution there; the Dixie by Commander Charles H. Davis, who in two months from now will be captain, and the Yosemite by Commander William H. Emory of Greeley relief fame and who was a silent spectator on the Petrel at Port Arthur during the war between China and Japan. New York naval reserves man the Yankee, Michigan reserves the Yosemite and Marylanders the Dixie. The last named has a battery of ten 6 inch guns, four 6 pounders and two Colt's machine guns. The other two cruisers are supplied with batteries of ten 5 inch guns, six 6 pounders and two Colts. A number of colliers and a supply ship, originally merchant ships that have been purchased by the government, also accompany the expedition. Unless there is some serious accident, however, there

ships, the armored cruisers New York and Brooklyn of 21 knots speed, the Columbia and Minneapolis of 23 knots, the Cincinnati of 20 knots and the auxiliaries St. Paul and St. Louis of 22 knots. It was Captain Alfred T. Mahan's convincing arguments that resulted in the plan of sending this initial squadron to harass Spain's coasts, and whatever subsequent suggestion he makes may be adopted by the government.

It is the general belief in naval circles that no sustained attack will be made on the Canaries, but that the fleet may stop there under the lee of the islands to replenish their bunkers, leaving the supply on the colliers untouched, and then proceed directly to Cadiz to bombard the city, as Santiago and San Juan were bombarded. It may happen, however, that a naval base will be seized in the Canaries.

Spain's available ships in and near Spain are the old cruisers Victoria, Numancia, Lepanto and the Cardenal Cisneros, with three torpedo boats, the Ariete, the Rago and the Aristo, at the Canaries. Of the four cruisers mentioned it is known that the first two are comparatively worthless, and the last mentioned has for weeks been undergoing repairs. No information as to her condition and state of efficiency is available, but she cannot compare favorably with our sturdiest. The Principe de Asturias, it is said, is being hastily completed. In addition to the ships named, Admiral Camara's fleet returning from the abortive Philippine expedi-

tion must be reckoned with. The flag-

ship Pelayo, the armored cruiser Em-

perador Carlos Quintos (Charles V), the

armored cruiser Patriota, late the Nor-

mannia, carrying 12 guns, a few troops

and marines; the Buenos Ayres, with

guns, stores and a few troops; the tor-

pedo boat destroyer Audaz, the armored

cruiser Isla de Panay of two guns, carry-

ing stores and a few troops; the Rapido,

late the Columbia, of 12 guns, carrying

a few troops; the Colon, a storeship,

without guns or troops; the torpedo

boat destroyers Proserpina and Osado,

the transport Cavadozeta, no guns, and

the coalship San Francisco compose the

Camara fleet.

The officers and ships' complements

are as follows:

Pelayo.—Rear Admiral Camara, Cap-

tain Fernandez Jose; crew, 565 men.

Audaz.—Captain Guillelmo de Avila;

73 men.

Proserpina.—Captain Sanchez; 72 men.

Osado.—Captain Shimers; 73 men.

Rapido.—Captain Federico Compagn;

crew, 238; troops, 200.

Patriota.—Captain Barriere; crew,

250; troops, 200.

Buenos Ayres.—Jose Grau; crew, 193;

troops, 1,044.

Isla de Panay.—Captain Baste; crew,

102; troops, 703.

Cavadozeta.—Captain Prestelia; crew,

117; cargo, coal.

Colon.—Captain Louis Campos; crew,

120; cargo, stores.

San Francisco.—Captain Marrosig;

crew, 65; cargo, ammunition.

In all this fleet the only fighting ships

of importance are the battleship Pe-

layo and the Carlos V. The Pelayo is

the first and only battleship Spain has

ever built. Mighty as she is, our naval

officers believe she will speedily meet

the fate of the other crack ships of her

country, though manned by American

officers and seamen she might prove a

formidable antagonist to the Iowa or

the Indiana. She has a length of 330

feet and a beam of 66 feet, with a dis-

placement of 9,900 tons. Her coal ca-

pacities is 800 tons, which will allow her

to steam 3,900 miles at 12 knots an hour.

She has two 12 inch guns in barbettes,

one forward and one aft; two 11 inch

guns in barbettes, one on each beam;

three 5.5 inch, one 3.5 inch, two 2.7 inch,

and three 6 pounders, twelve 1 pounder re-

peating cannon and seven torpedo tubes,

altogether a most powerful armament

in competent hands. She has a complete

armor belt of harveysteel 11.3 to

17.7 inch; in the barbettes, 11.8 inch; in

the bulkheads, 15.7 inch, and to the pro-

jected deck, 3.5 inch.

The Carlos V is 330 feet long, with a

beam of 67 feet and a displacement of

9,000 tons. Her coal capacity is 1,500

tons, which, at the rate of ten knots an

hour, would allow her to make a voyage

of 13,900 miles. Her armament is two 11

inch in barbettes, one forward and one

aft; eight 5.5 inch, four 3.5 inch, two 10

pounders, four 6 pounders, four 1 pound-

ers, two machine guns and six torpedo

tubes. The larger guns are all of the

Hontoria make, the product of a Span-

ish inventor.

There are, in further enumeration of

Spain's naval strength, two small ves-

sels at Cadiz, the Carea and the Medora,

of which little is known, and the armed

yacht Giraldia at Cautanum, but none of

these ranks as ships of attack or is in-

tended for effective operations. Then

there are some few torpedo boats in the

harbors of the principal cities.

The ports on the bay of Biscay are

much farther removed from Spain's na-

val stations and so called warships than

those on the southwestern coast and the

shores of the Mediterranean, but where

Watson will first strike remains to be

seen. Prizes will be captured with great

most anywhere along the coast, but the

greatest damage to Spain's commercial

and financial interests can be inflicted

by an attack upon Cadiz, Cartagena,

Valencia and Barcelona. Port Mahon,

in the Balearic islands, a model harbor

well known to the naval officers of the

world, would form an excellent base of

supplies, and it may be seized by our

fleet, but it is certain the naval de-

partment will leave to public conjecture

many details of the trip of invasion.

It will have one beneficial influence

on Spain in uniting her people against

the attacks of the common enemy. It

may even be her salvation from anarchy

and the followers of Don Carlos and

possibly end in her establishment of a

triumphant republic, though favorable

results cannot be expected in the light

of her past history. Her people, stirred

by patriotic motives, are hastening to

offer their services and their money in

defense of the country's threatened

ports. Her soldiers can fight better than

her sailors, but there is no reason to

suppose the United States will attempt

any armed conquest of the land. Im-

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REAL ESTATE DEALS

Two Important Transfers of Valuable Property Today.

HANDSOME BUILDINGS GOING UP

On Freeman Property at Corner of Bank and Summer Streets. Important Additions to City. Rich and Robinson Purchase the Property.

George N. Rich and A. M. Robinson have bought the Freeman property at the corner of Bank and Summer streets of W. A. Pittsfield at a price which is not made public and have begun the work of developing it. The lot has a frontage of 90 feet on Summer street and about 100 feet on Bank street. Ground has been broken for an apartment house which will be built next to St. John's rectory facing Summer street.

The building will be of brick with a marble front. It will be four stories high. The front will be 25 feet wide, the depth will be 60 feet and the width of the rear end will be 10 feet, owing to the irregular shape of the lot and the fact that every foot of the land must be utilized. The front of the building will be 18 feet from the sidewalk, which will bring it in line with the other houses on the street.

The building has been planned with special reference to the needs of school teachers and nurses, and when completed it will be leased to one man who will have special charge and let the apartments to those who have need of such accommodations. The block will contain all modern improvements and conveniences and it is believed that there will be a ready demand for every room in the building. The contract for excavating the cellar has been let to E. L. Granger and James T. Terry has taken the contract to lay the foundation. The contract for the erection of the building has not yet been awarded.

By taking an L off the Freeman house room will be made for the apartment house, but in the near future the old dwelling house will be taken down or removed to another lot.

The further developments of the property will include the erection of two four-story brick blocks facing Bank street. These blocks will contain stores on the first floors and offices and tenements above. It is expected that ground for these buildings will be broken the latter part of September. This important enterprise is a result of the continued and rapid growth of the city, which demands more and more room for business purposes and to which demand residence sections near the center must inevitably give way. The Freeman property was for many years a quiet and pleasant home, but it is now naturally and properly turned into business uses and the change will be of much value to the city.

ANOTHER BIG DEAL. Since the above deal was concluded and the account put in type, Messrs. Rich and Robinson have completed another deal of equal importance, by which they have secured the rest of the Freeman property, facing Bank street for 68 feet, from Messrs. Gallup & Houghton. On this will be erected, facing Bank street, a four-story block with a 45 foot frontage, of a style and construction similar to the blocks described above. It will contain two stores on the first floor, with offices and tenements above.

This building will be erected first, work to be begun at once, and the building facing on Summer street, described above, will be begun about September 1. The two transfers make one of the most important real estate transactions in this city for some time.

ASSAULTED AT MIDNIGHT.

Two Men Sentenced in Williamstown This Morning.

Lemuel Morgan, formerly of this city, who is in charge of the North Adams water works at White Oaks, had a nervous experience with marauders early this morning. Soon after midnight he heard of a style and construction similar to the blocks described above. It will contain two stores on the first floor, with offices and tenements above.

The men immediately threatened him, one of them drawing a revolver and threatening to shoot him. After assaulting him they escaped. Mr. Morgan had a warrant sworn out, identifying the men as George Adams, colored, who lives at White Oaks, and Charles Rice, who has been hanging around doing odd jobs.

Sheriff Richards found and arrested the men, and this morning in court Adams was sentenced to a year in the house of correction, and Rice to six months.

A Volunteer's Return.

The Boston Globe publishes a dispatch today from Albany on the return of Corporal Paradise to his home in Adams, as reported in this paper yesterday. It says that: "Upon reaching New York Paradise was transferred to the government hospital at Fort Columbus. He was able to leave there Friday, but only had means enough to get to Albany. The necessary transportation was furnished willingly by the Albany poor superintendent."

This item shows how small a reserve Uncle Sam's volunteers carry after a campaign like that at Santiago, and suggests work for the county association, to see that every volunteer who is able to come home has a sufficient sum sent him to insure his arrival without the necessity of applying on the way.

Alfred Thiel's Condition.

The condition of Alfred A. Thiel, the Company M wounded volunteer who returned on account of his wounds, and who is ill with typhoid fever, was somewhat improved today, and his family and friends were much encouraged. Considerable comment was caused by the suggestion that has been made that Thiel be brought to the hospital in this city under the direction of the relief association. Mr. Thiel is now being given the best possible care at his parents' home in Adams, having the constant attendance of a trained nurse.

The Braytonville Sunday school picnic, which was to have been held today, has been postponed until tomorrow, at 1:30 p. m. It will be held at the Hoosac Valley park.

Poster E. Swift arrived in New York city yesterday and will reach this city tomorrow on his return from Europe.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

O. A. Atwood Held For Hearing Under \$1000 Bonds.

Orlin A. Atwood, a farmer living on the Walden farm at the Notch, was arrested late last night by Captain D. Walsh and held on the charge of rape. The charge is supported by the evidence of his 13 years old daughter, Clara, and the charge may be changed from rape to incest. The case is one of the most disgraceful ones that the local police have had to handle for a long time. Atwood was held till next Tuesday, August 2, in \$1,000 bail.

Atwood is 45 years old, and indignantly denies the charge. The girl has been living at home until within the last few weeks, when she began to do housework in this city. She told of the matter to some one where she worked, and in this way the case was brought to Chief Kendall, who immediately investigated it. The girl denied no complaint but had no hesitation in telling her story to the chief, and on the statements she made her father was arrested.

Mr. Atwood was divorced from his wife when Clara was a baby, and is married again, his second wife living with him now. The girl's statements concern his actions for a period of two years or so.

New County Officer Appointed.

Charles E. Burke of Pittsfield has been appointed referee for Berkshire county to act under the new bankruptcy law of the United States. Each county is to have a permanent referee to preside over the operations of the law, who must receive his designation from the United States District court and the appointment for Massachusetts were therefore named by Judge Lowell in Boston. The other Western Massachusetts referees are: Franklin county, Henry J. Field of Greenfield; Hampshire, Arthur Watson of Northampton; Hampden, Charles W. Bosworth of Springfield.

Charles E. Burke is a native of Pittsfield and about 40 years of age. He studied law with Pingree & Barker and later became a member of the firm. Afterwards the firm was changed to Pingree, Daves, Jr., & Burke. Mr. Pingree has now been dead some years. Mr. Burke is considered one of the best lawyers of Pittsfield and is chairman of the executive committee of the county bar association. He has practiced law for about 15 years. Of quiet temperament, he is very popular with all those who know him intimately.

Novel Advertising Scheme.

The Shapleigh Coffee company of Boston is advertising its "Victor" coffee in this city in a way which attracts much attention. The outfit came in a handsomely painted and well equipped car made specially for the purpose and which now stands on a side track in the Fitchburg yard. The company is represented by Roy C. Wilhelm, who has with him two men and five beautiful gray horses. Mr. Wilhelm uses a horse and buggy to drive about the city and call on the merchants, while four of the horses attached to a chariot are driven abreast by Mr. Brown, a stalwart African, who plays the cornet. The establishment is very showy and gives the small boys an idea that a circus has "struck" the city. The horses and whole outfit are carried in the car from place to place, and the men, excepting Mr. Wilhelm, live in the car, which is supplied with many conveniences. The party will be in this city for two or three days.

Local Man Wins at Hand Ball.

There was an interesting hand ball match at the Howland house court at Zylolite yesterday afternoon, P. J. Ryan of this city playing Mr. Flynn of Pittsfield for the championship of three games and \$10 a side. Two out of three games were to decide, but only two were necessary, the scores being: Ryan 21, Flynn 16; Ryan 21, Flynn 3. A large number saw the games, which furnished an exciting contest, especially in the first match.

There will be an interesting exhibition at the same place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Messrs. Ryan and Flynn have issued a challenge to play any two men in the county for any part of \$100, and a rattling contest is expected to follow, as there are a number of excellent players in both this city and Pittsfield.

Good Templars Elect.

Frances E. Willard lodge of Good Templars held its election of officers last night, with the following results: Chief templar, James Rule; vice-templar, Miss Mae Loeber; secretary, Stanley McFee; financial secretary, William Messier; treasurer, Samuel Martin; marshal, William Ross. These officers will be installed August 3 with public exercises, and a supper will be served for the benefit of the volunteers from the lodge.

Five new members were admitted at the meeting, and the membership of the lodge is very satisfactory.

Patriotic Celebration at Rowe.

There was a patriotic celebration in the town of Rowe Tuesday night, which surpassed anything that the town has ever held before and which created the greatest enthusiasm. It was held in the town hall, and a large attendance was present. Rev. J. A. Hamilton of this city was visiting there and was the principal speaker and Prof. E. A. Tower of this city had charge of the music. The hall was handsomely decorated with flags and flowers, and presented a most attractive appearance. Besides Mr. Hamilton the local Howe musicians made addresses. A collection was taken for the hospital ship fund and a large amount raised.

Doctors Meet at Pontoosac.

The mid-summer meeting of the Berkshire District medical society, by invitation of Dr. Frank K. Paddock, is held at his cottage at Pontoosac lake this afternoon. The meeting this year is a little out of the ordinary in the particular that instead of dwelling solely on matters pertaining to the profession several members will make addresses on incidents patriotic, reminiscence and anecdotal, thus giving the affair more of a social nature than on former occasions. At 2:30 o'clock the members of the society took dinner. A number from this city attended.

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VOLUNTEERS CONTRASTED.

The Second Massachusetts Figure In a Magazine Article.

In the current number of Scribner's magazine Richard Harding Davis has an article on "The Rocking Chair Period of the War." In this article he has this to say about the two volunteer regiments which went to Santiago, the 1st New York and the 2d Massachusetts, our own regiment: "The first two regiments of volunteers to arrive at Lakeland, which lies an hour's ride farther back than Tampa, were the Seventy-first New York and the Second Massachusetts. They made an interesting contrast. The New York men were city bred; they had the cockney's puzzled contempt for the country. Palm trees, moss hanging from trees and alligators were as interesting to them as the first sight of a Pathan prisoner to a British Tommy. Their nerves had been strained to cable cars and the rush and edginess of elevated trains. Their palates had been fed on Sunday papers and Wall street tickers; their joys were those of the roof garden and Muschelnheim's, of Coney Island and the Polo grounds.

The Massachusetts men on the other hand, were from the small towns in the western half of Massachusetts; they were farmer's sons and salesmen in village stores; some of them were country lawyers and many of them worked in the mills. They took to the trees and lakes contentedly; their nerves did not jerk and twivel at the enforced waiting; they had not been so highly fed with excitement as the New York boys; they did not miss the rush and hurry of Broadway. Their wants were curiously in character. One of them "wanted to see a stone fence once more before he was shot" and another wanted to drink water from a well again out of a "bucket." He shut himself and sucked his lips at the recollection that the others all nodded gravely; they all knew they had drunk out of wooden buckets.

The New York men knew nothing of stone walls. They made jokes of their discomforts and added others from Weber & Fields and their smiles showed that they had worked when at home in the law courts, the city hospitals and the department stores. "The food was not exactly Shanley's," they said that the distance across the lake was about that of the longest stretch at Morris park. They were more restless, nervous and argumentative than the New England men and they held the Spaniards in fine contempt. They "wouldn't do a thing to him," they said. The Massachusetts men were modest. I told them that the New York men were getting up athletic sports and running races between the athletes of the different companies.

"Oh, well," said one of the New England men, "when they find out who is their fastest runner, I'll challenge him to run away from the first Spaniard we see. I'll bet I beat him a mile." It is a good sign when a regiment makes jokes at the expense of its courage. It is likely to be most unpleasant when the fighting begins.

A Williamstown Frost.

The Pittsfield Journal gives the following vivid description of the recent concert given in Williamstown for the benefit of the county soldiers relief association from the point of view of the quartet:

Crescent quartet which has won the enthusiastic approval of every audience that it has appeared before in the present circuit of the county in concerts in aid of Company M of Adams met with a "frost" in Williamstown last week. The local managers left the arrangements of that concert to the committee in Adams and supposed they would receive the same treatment that was accorded them at other towns where they sang. But they were mistaken. On arriving in Williamstown there was no committee waiting to receive them and after reaching the hotel they inquired about the concert. Few people knew that there was to be one and no one seemed to know who the Crescent quartet were or from where they came.

Finally the hour for the concert arrived and the quartet made their way to the hall but the hall was not lighted and the janitor could not be found. Some one volunteered to light the lamps and the concert opened to an audience of about 40 people. A few came in afterward but it was a very small house for the quartet. The audience was however very enthusiastic and applauded the good things with vigor. Some one told the quartet at the close of the concert that "Our people don't think much of Adams any way. All our boys are enlisted over in New York. All our folks thought you were from Adams. The 11th Mass. that is the reason so few came out." Williamstown has been the only place in the whole county where the quartet has not made money for the good cause.

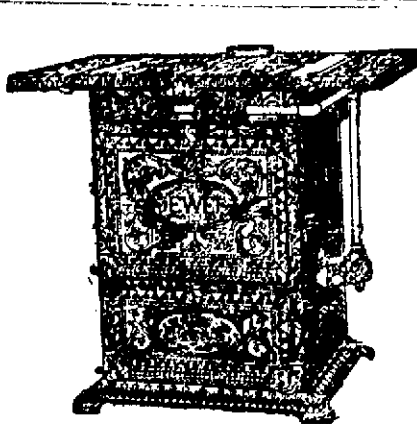
War Work of D. A. R.

The local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has been hard at work along the lines of relief for the soldiers since the beginning of the war, working through the hospital corps of the national society. It will be of interest to many to know the work of the local chapter. The following from the New York Tribune:

The hospital corps of the National society of Daughters of the American Revolution has been doing efficient work from the date of the first call for volunteers, and it has increased from time to time, according to requests made by Surgeon-General Sternberg and the resources at his command. The work of the hospital corps has been done entirely through the government, therefore it has been done quietly and unobtrusively. The executive board is doing laborious work without charge. All funds contributed go at once to the purchase of supplies and to the maintenance of the corps. All supplies are given to the government and forwarded at government expense. Everything sent by the national society is acknowledged by receipt from the surgeons in charge of the various hospitals. In one case the supplies from the national society were received before anything reached them from the government.

Found "Dewey's" Mamma.

City Almoner Dimick of Pittsfield on his recent trip to this city as reported Tuesday, succeeded in finding the mother of the little colored baby "Dewey" which was recently left with a Pittsfield family. The woman is employed at housework in this city, and promised to see that the baby was cared for. She is to go down and get small "Dewey" this week. The family in which she is employed are very much pleased with her work, and were very unwilling to have an arrest made, so the matter was settled in this way.



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